



TO THE POINT

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Friday 14 September 2018

Term 3 Week 8

Dear Parents, Staff & Students

Emergency drills

Every year schools are required to review and update their emergency procedures. This week and next Alfords Point Public School will be conducting emergency drills as part of our yearly review. This will involve the school conducting a lockdown and evacuation drill. If you are at the school assisting during our drills, please follow the instructions provided by the teachers.

Road Safety

The RMS is currently recruiting for a new Crossing Supervisor for the Brushwood Drive crossing at Alfords Point Public School. If you know anyone who may be interested please share the application located in the newsletter. Supervision of the crossing will continue until a replacement has been finalised by the RMS.

Bush Fire procedures

Today I attended a briefing from NSW Rural fire Services. The bushfire season has been brought forward due to the dry weather. Alfords Point Public School Bushfire Procedures are well and truly in place and will be reviewed regularly over the summer period. It is important that everyone is aware of our procedures. It is only in the event of a catastrophic fire danger rating that the school will temporarily cease operations for the day(s). The school receives a notification of this at approximately 4.30pm on the day before and we will be in contact with you via email or "Skoolbag" on such occasions.

The Rural Fire Service website: www.rfs.nsw.gov.au is a source of important information and is a good website to have bookmarked.

As a suburb surrounded by bush it is important to regularly review Bushfire Plans so as to be prepared in an emergency. I encourage all families to review their procedures.

Kindergarten Orientation

On Wednesday morning we welcomed the 2019 Kindergarten students at our 'Kindi Start' session as part of the 2019 orientation program for children starting school in 2019. The children had an opportunity to work in the classroom and experience big school whilst the parents/carers attended an information session in the hall. The teachers are looking forward to further visits from our 2019 Kindergarten students who arrived bright and happy for their first taste of big school. The next transition session is on 18 September at 2pm in the school hall.

School Uniforms

With the weather starting to get warmer as we move towards the end of term, students have a choice of whether to wear full summer uniform or stay in their winter uniform depending on weather. Please do not put tights with the summer uniform. School hats are available for purchase from the School Uniform shop or our office when needed. Thank you for your cooperation.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sept 17	P&C Meeting 7pm in Library
Sept 18	Kindi Start 2019 2pm Parent Workshop
Sept 21	PSSA begins
Sept 24	Obstacool Fundraiser
Sept 26	Kindi Start 2019 2pm Parent Workshop
Sept 27	Krispy Kreme Delivery
Sept 28	Schools Spectacular Rehearsal

Tell Them From Me Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement.

Research indicates that partnerships between home and school improve student learning outcomes. Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey is open now and closes on 26 October. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated. Please click on the following link to access the survey: <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/b8b6p>

Annette Wein
Principal

NUMBER CRUNCHERS

On Monday 3 September, Sean of Year 6 represented Alford's Point Public School at the finals of the Number Crunchers competition. This competition tests the competitor's verbal and mental numeracy skills giving them only 10 seconds to answer questions given. Sean was able to hold his composure on the day and undertook the mental computations with great speed, taking out third place in the competition. Congratulations Sean!

Jennie Lombe

SPORTS NEWS

The Engadine Zone Summer PSSA Competition commences next Friday 21 September. The students representing our school as part of a team in T-Ball, Softball and Cricket have been announced and permission notes along with codes of conduct forms have been distributed. The draw will also be distributed when the final copy is released. Notes and forms need to be completed by students and parents before being posted into the office's yellow box by Monday 17 September. Thank you to everyone who participated.

Aaron McKrell

STAGE ONE SWIMMING

Stage 1 students will be doing swimming for sport next term. The eight week program will commence on Friday 19 October and conclude on Friday 7 December. Payment for the lessons and bus fare is due on Monday 17 September. Please refer to the letter sent home a few weeks ago for more details.

Anne Brown
Assistant Principal

ZONE PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to our three students, Anabella, Max and Taylah who represented our school in the Zone Public Speaking Competition. Mrs Rider and Mrs Panourgias attended Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 of the competition and reported back that our students spoke with confidence and eloquence and delivered the impromptu speeches with competence. Congratulations to all three students, we are very proud of you.

Nick John

Obstacool kicks off this term!

Obstacool is a fantastic, fun physical activity program that will be hitting our school grounds Monday of Week 10. It is being run in conjunction with the Premier's Sporting Challenge and is a great way for your

child to keep fit and learn new skills! As a school we are trying to raise funds to help upgrade and purchase new resources in relation to technology, the library and the garden.

Remember any donations that can be made will be very beneficial. Boys and girls be creative in asking friends, family and community members to sponsor you on your sponsorship form to overcome the giant course! There are prizes for the most money raised!

Thank you for supporting our school!

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK - T3, Week 8

KD	Nathan
K-1J	Ben
1-2M	Michael
1-2PK	Jayden
3-4B	Folau
3-4R	Iziah
4-5M	Ali
5-6D	Lily
5-6L	Tim

UNIFORM SHOP
Opening Hours for 2018

The uniform shop will next be open on **19 September 2018** and then once a fortnight on Wednesdays of every odd week, starting from 8.30am - 9.15am in the hall.

Orders can be left at the office.
Thank you

THE POINT CAFE

Thank you to all those who have volunteered and helped.

Monday—No volunteer, **Wednesday**—Samantha Lollback, **Thursday**—Rebecca Jones

Friday—Alana Wittig and Michelle Byron

Schools Spectacular Ice Block Tuesdays

In support of our Schools Spectacular team we will be fundraising by selling frozen treats each Tuesday this term.



On Tuesday 18 September, our Schools Spectacular team will be selling frozen juice cups at lunchtime for \$1.

Thank you for your support.

Free dental care

WHO ? All children and young people under 18 years of age

WHERE ? Daceyville Public School
Hurstville Public School
Rockdale Public School
Tharawal Public School (Menai)
The Sutherland Hospital

Call 1300 134 226 Monday to Friday



Rewards Card. Start saving for the Super Savers rewards.

How to redeem a reward item

1. Make 10 School Banking deposits (you'll receive one silver Dollarsmites token each time you make a deposit - maximum one per week).
2. Choose one of the below reward items and fill in your details on the corresponding reward coupon.
3. Take the reward coupon, along with your 10 silver Dollarsmites tokens, to school in your Dollarsmites deposit wallet on School Banking day.

Rules of the program

- To reward individual saving, no pooling of Dollarsmites tokens with other students or siblings is allowed.
- All rewards are available to redeem from the term listed, only while stocks last.

<p>Twister Power Handball Released Term 1 2018</p> <p>Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____</p>	<p>Sparkle Glitter Pens Released Term 2 2018</p> <p>Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____</p>	<p>Mighty Boom Handball Released Term 3 2018</p> <p>Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____</p>	<p>Slushie Maker Cup Released Term 4 2018</p> <p>Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____</p>
<p>Secret Scratch Notepad Released Term 1 2018</p> <p>Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____</p>	<p>Glow Light Released Term 2 2018</p> <p>Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____</p>	<p>Heat Reactor Pencils Released Term 3 2018</p> <p>Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____</p>	<p>Zoom Flying Disc Released Term 4 2018</p> <p>Name: _____ Class: _____ Student ID: _____</p>

Please report trespassers in the school grounds to:
School Security **1300 880 021** OR
Sutherland Police Station **9542 0899**



INFORMATION MORNING
Prospective Year 7 Students 2020
Tuesday 16 October 2018
at 9.15am in the School Auditorium

Sydney Technical High School, established in 1911, has a proud tradition of student achievement. The school prepares young men who are scholarly and socially responsible. Features of the school include languages, music, visual arts, debating, public speaking and sport. Teaching and learning programs feature higher order thinking and are recognised as best practice in gifted education. The school actively promotes an environment in which student welfare, tolerance of others and strong community values support each student reaching his potential.

Enrolments: Students seeking entrance into Year 7 must participate in selection procedures organised by the Department of Education. For further information contact the High Performing Students Unit on 1300 880 367 or email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au.

SYDNEY TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL
686 Forest Road Bexley 2207
www.sths.nsw.edu.au

Enquiries to the School: 9587 5899
An Academically Selective School for Boys



Enjoy a child free, fun day out with friends!

**ANNUAL FUNDRAISING
SHOP AND SAVE TOUR**

(All proceeds go to Alford's Point Public School & Best Kidz Early Learning Centre)

LUCKY
SEAT PRIZE

LOLLY
GUESS

RAFFLES

RELAXING
LUNCH

COST: Approx \$55-\$65 per person (discount with a seniors card)
Covers coach, morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea

DATE: Sunday, 11 November 2018

DEPARTURE: 7.45am sharp – please arrive by 7.30am.

MEET: Oriana Drive, Illawong (top oval near Menai High School)

RETURN: Approx 5.30pm-6pm.

Variety of shops including bags, giftware, jewellery, manchester, confectionery, toys, clothing, shoes and much more.
Watch this space!

To secure your seat and to make a payment, please contact Keryn Roberts
Phone: 0414 680 765 or Email: k.lloyd77@hotmail.com



Part-Time Work

School Crossing Supervisors – Work with your community
Permanent Part-Time position – Alford's Point Public School – 00006G52

An important person in a child's school life is the School Crossing Supervisor, who ensures they cross the road safely. The role requires minimal hours out of your day and gives something worthwhile back to the community.

The position is working 22.5 hours per fortnight within the hours of 8:15 am – 09:30 am and 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm Monday to Friday during school terms. The base rate is \$23.02 - \$27.62 per hour.

Training for your key responsibilities of directing traffic to stop at the designated crossing and giving clear instructions to infants and primary school students to cross the road safely, will be provided. You may be required to attend a health assessment. Appointment is subject to a Working with Children Check clearance.

Roads and Maritime Services is an equal opportunity employer.

For further information on this exciting opportunity please call 1300 305 855 or go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au to apply.

Applications close 11:59pm on Sunday, 16 September 2018.

TNSW are committed to building a diverse and inclusive culture across the Transport cluster, planning for and promoting diversity. We welcome and encourage applications from diverse community groups and ages including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, LGBTI, people with disabilities, women and other diversity groups. TNSW recognises the benefits that such an approach brings for our staff and customers in delivering the future of NSW.



Relating as Stepfamilies

This three-session program assists couples to manage the demands of life as a stepfamily.

It will assist parents to:

- examine the challenges and positives of stepfamilies
- examine personal beliefs and the effects of holding onto these
- highlight the losses stepfamilies have suffered
- recognise the importance of developing stepfamily rituals
- compare different communication styles

Tuesdays, 6:30pm – 9:30pm

16 October | 23 October | 30 October

Cost: \$75 per couple

Venue: Interrelate Caringbah

Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Rd South, Caringbah

Bookings Essential – Phone 8522 4408