



# TO THE POINT

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**Excellence, Innovation & Success in a Caring Environment**

**Friday 17 August 2018**

**Term 3 Week 4**

**Dear Parents, Staff & Students**

This week has been a quieter week after Education Week with students working hard in their classrooms and following our three big rules. Take Care of Yourself, Take Care of Each Other and Take Care of this Place.

As a school we regularly review the rules with students to maintain Alfords Point Public School as a happy, safe and welcoming environment for all. If students are having difficulties at school please encourage them to speak to a teacher to help them to work through the problem. Parents and carers are reminded that it is not appropriate to approach other students directly on behalf of their child.

### **Sutherland Shire Music Festival**

This week our Junior and Senior Choirs as well as the Junior and Senior Dance groups performed at Sutherland Entertainment Centre as part of the Sutherland Shire Schools Music Festival. I congratulate all the students on their efforts and for their participation. They were wonderful ambassadors for Alfords Point Public School. Thank you to the staff who have given their time to support the students in this extra curricula opportunity. Dance classes have now concluded for 2018. Invoices have been sent home to families with outstanding fees. It would be appreciated if accounts were settled by 28 September 2018.

### **Kindergarten Open Afternoon**

Yesterday, Thursday 16 August 2018 at 2.00pm we held an Open Afternoon for parents of 2019 Kindergarten students. The afternoon provided 2019 Kindergarten parents with information about Alfords Point Public School that will help in the transition of the children from pre-school to big school. I look forward to meeting the 2019 Kindergarten students and their families as the children begin preparing for big school.

### **P&C Meeting**

The P&C meeting will be held on Monday 20 August from 7.00pm in the Library. I look forward to meeting with members from our school community to discuss the continued support of our students at Alfords Point Public School. All welcome to attend.

### **Special Photo Day**

On Tuesday 21 August all students who are involved in extra curricula activities such as sporting teams and dance will be photographed. I would like all students to wear their school uniform and to bring their extra curricula outfits with them. Please remember your sports shoes if you are in a sporting team. A note has gone home about this.

### **Kindergarten Enrolments for 2019**

We are currently taking enrolments for students starting Kindergarten in 2019. If you haven't returned your enrolment form or have a child who is turning 5 by 31 July 2019, please contact the office to obtain an enrolment form.

**Annette Wein  
Principal**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Aug 20	P&C Meeting 7pm in the Library
Aug 21	Special Sport and Event Photo Day
Aug 22	Zone Athletics Carnival
Aug 24	Last winter PSSA game
Aug 28	Father's Day Breakfast 8.00am
Aug 28	Book Week Parade 9.30am
Aug 28	Father's Day Stall after recess

## NUMBER CRUNCHERS

On Tuesday 14 August, Sean and Cooper from Year 6 represented our school at the Number Crunchers competition held at Bangor Public School. Number Crunchers is an exciting and challenging mathematics competition, which began as an initiative of Sydney NSW Public Schools. This year it has grown to include students from well over 60 schools. This competition is conducted in a format similar to a spelling bee, with answers to challenging mathematics questions calculated mentally and given in spoken form. Both Cooper and Sean were outstanding representatives for our school and demonstrated great mathematical thinking and processing. Cooper is to be congratulated for placing 5<sup>th</sup> in his group and Sean who placed 2<sup>nd</sup>. Congratulations Cooper and Sean!

Sean now progresses to the Grand Final to be held on 3 September at Connells Point Public School and we wish him all the very best.

Jennie Lombe

## SPORTS NEWS

### Zone Athletics Carnival

Good luck to our students representing both themselves and Alford's Point Public School at the Engadine Zone Athletics carnival next Wednesday. They will be in a variety of track and field events. **Students need to be at school by 7.15am. Please be on time as the bus cannot wait.** The squad has been issued with their maroon Alford's Point Public School sports singlets. Following the carnival, please have them laundered and returned to Mrs Rider by Monday 27 August.

### PSSA Results

**Netball**—Senior A vs Engadine won, Senior B bye, Junior A vs Heathcote won, Junior B vs Tharawal lost.  
**Soccer vs Engadine West**—Junior Orange won, Junior Green lost, Senior lost.

Carolyn Rider

## LIBRARY NEWS

A huge thank you to Mrs Lloyd (Grandmother of Racquel and Cara) for covering lots of books for the library  
Your kindness is so appreciated.

### Book Character Parade

Our Book Character Parade will be on Tuesday 28 August at 9:30am. The students are already excited! I hope parents and students enjoy putting together a creatively simple costume for a character from a book. There are some suggestions on the note sent home earlier this week.

Ann Naoum

Teacher Librarian

## PUBLIC SPEAKING

What a display of talent and maturity! Our students excelled in every way at our Public Speaking Competition held during Education Week. Our speakers presented their speeches in a most mature as well as entertaining way to a packed hall of Alford's Point parents, grandparents and friends. We were astounded by the high quality of the content of the speeches and the articulate way that all competitors presented their speech. Congratulations to Taylah of Year 6 who won the Stage 3 competition and Sean of Year 6 who was runner up. The Stage 2 competition was won by Max of Year 4 and the runner up was Sophie of Year 4. Our Stage 1 competition was extremely close but Anabella of Year 1 took out 1st place and Ashleigh of Year 2 was our runner up. Congratulations to all competitors and to those who came 1st and 2nd place. We would also like to thank all the comperes who were dressed immaculately in our school uniform and ran the competition with confidence. We would like to thank Leanne Shephard and Mrs Brown for their excellent judging during the competition and would also like to thank all our staff who helped in the organisation of the night. A special congratulations to our wonderful and talented musicians, Angelise and Samuel you were very entertaining.

Mr John, Mrs Burke and Mrs Dobson

## STEWART HOUSE

Once again the Stewart House Clothing Appeal is on. The bags were sent home with the students this week. Please return them back to school by Tuesday 4 September for collection by Stewart House on Thursday 6 September. If you require more bags please collect them from the Front Office.

## UNSW SPELLING COMPETITION

Congratulations to the following students for their achievements in the UNSW Spelling Competition.

**Distinction** – Charlotte, Madeline and Zac.

**Credit** – Sasha, Ahmad, Lucas, Taylah, Cooper and Sean

## THE POINT CAFE

Thank you to all those who have volunteered and helped.

### Monday

Belinda Mainprize

### Wednesday

Samantha Lollback

### Thursday

No volunteer

### Friday

Carolyn Ryan

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK - T3, Week 4	
KD	Evan
K-1J	Elizabeth
1-2M	Noah
1-2PK	Eva
3-4B	Diego
3-4R	Lincoln
4-5M	Marko
5-6D	Thomas
5-6L	Eliza

**UNIFORM SHOP**  
**Opening Hours for 2018**

The uniform shop will next be open on **22 August 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

Would you like to try athletics?  
**Illawong Little Athletics**



The Ridge Athletics Track, Recreation Dr, off Old Illawarra Rd, Barden Ridge.

**Fun - Fitness - Family**

Little Athletics is the foundation for all sports.

Join us at Illawong Little Athletics for an exciting season where everyone has a great time running, jumping and throwing -- no matter what their level of skill!

### Registration Details

All registrations must be done online via the Little Athletics NSW website - <http://www.lansw.com.au>. This needs to be completed before the registration collection days.

### Registration Collection Days (at the track)

Sunday 26 August 1.00pm - 3.00pm  
Saturday 1 September 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Come and meet our friendly committee members, try on and purchase your club uniform and collect your registration packs for the 2018/19 Little Athletics season.

We will be holding two trial days from 12.30pm on Saturday 8 and 15 September 2018 at a cost of \$10 per athlete.

### Early Bird Special!

Any participant (new or returning) that registers between 1 and 17 August will receive a \$15 discount on registration fees.

### For More Information

W: [illawonglittleathletics.com.au](http://illawonglittleathletics.com.au)  
E: [registrar@illawonglittleathletics.com.au](mailto:registrar@illawonglittleathletics.com.au)  
F: <https://www.facebook.com/IllawongLittleAthletics/>

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



# BIKE TO THE BEACH

NEW STARTING POINT

Sunday 23 September 2018

Bring the family down for a great 5km cycle ride - from this year's new starting point Shorebird Reserve (corner Alexander Ave and Smith St) at Taren Point and ending at Wanda Beach.

- ☑ Supervised course along offroad paths: easy for all ages.
- ☑ You must bring your own bike.
- ☑ Bikes must be in good roadworthy condition (including bell).
- ☑ All riders MUST WEAR a helmet.
- ☑ Free registration 10am-12pm (at Shorebird Reserve).
- ☑ Course open 10am-1pm.
- ☑ Activities completed at 2pm.

Free bike safety checks at the start, courtesy Endeavour Cycles.

For registration form, route map and more information:

[sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/Bike2Beach](http://sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/Bike2Beach)

At Lucas Reserve, enjoy hot dogs, face painting, inflatable obstacle course, giant slide, meet Sharks players, giveaways and games!

Enquiries: Mark Stuart  
02 9710 0341  
mstuart@ssc.nsw.gov.au

Wet weather: check online, or call  
9521 5690 or 9545 2345 after 9am Sat.



Presented by Sutherland Shire Council as part of NSW Bike Week.



SUTHERLANDSHIRE



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)

**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.lloyd477@hotmail.com](mailto:k.lloyd477@hotmail.com)

## PLAY TOUCH FOOTBALL

JUNIOR SUMMER COMPETITION  
STARTING 12th OF SEPTEMBER  
&  
ADULT SUMMER COMPETITION  
STARTING MID OCTOBER



f TAREN POINT TOUCH

The Child Protection Foundation presents

## 'Bowl Barefeet for Child Protection Week'

Sunday  
9th September  
10am

"Protecting Children is Everybody's Business"



Come along for a fun day of "Barefoot Bowls" lots of fun for the kids

Padstow Bowling & Recreation Club  
109 Aberia Street, Padstow

### Tickets

**Family \$35.00**  
2 Adults & 2 Kids under 16

**Adults \$15.00**

**Kids \$10.00**

Includes equipment & BBQ Lunch

Ph: 0421 822 576 to buy your tickets or visit [www.centreline.com.au](http://www.centreline.com.au)

Jumping Castle, Face Painting, and Live Entertainment  
Kids, come dressed as your Hero to WIN great prizes