

TO THE POINT

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Friday 19 October 2018

Term 4 Week 1

Dear Parents, Staff & Students

Welcome back! I hope that everyone enjoyed their break and are ready for what is going to be a very busy term. Please keep an eye on the school calendar and notes that come home to ensure you are aware about the various activities.

Night of Celebration ~ Date for the diary

At the end of each year we host our special Night of Celebration. At this event we celebrate the wonderful learning, achievements and impressive skills of our students and school community. This year the date of our Night of Celebration will be Tuesday 11 December. This event takes place at Menai High School and will be commencing at 5.15pm. We look forward to sharing this event with you. Further information will be available in coming weeks.

Selective High Schools

Applications for selective high school placement for Year 7 in 2020 are now open. An intention to apply form has been distributed to all Year 5 students this week. If your child will be entering Year 7 in 2020 and you wish to apply to a selective High School, detailed instructions on how to apply are available at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

The application website is now open and applications close on 12 November 2018.

Bushfire Procedures

Alfords Point Public School has been identified as a school that is vulnerable to bushfires. Our 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 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 well worth bookmarking.

Values

This term the values of Honesty & Integrity will be discussed in all classrooms and at assemblies. All students will be encouraged to strive to do their best. Please talk to your children at home about our values. We are all partners together in supporting our students.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Oct 26	Summer PSSA/Stage 1 Swimming
Oct 29	School Spectacular Rehearsal
Nov 1	School Spectacular Rehearsal
Nov 1	Leadership between the Rivers School Captains
Nov 2	Summer PSSA/Stage 1 Swimming
Nov 8	School Spectacular Rehearsal
Nov 9	Summer PSSA/Stage 1 Swimming
Nov 12/13	Stage 2 Camp
Nov 16	Summer PSSA/Stage 1 Swimming
Nov 16	School Spectacular Rehearsal
Nov 19	P&C Meeting 7pm Library

OUR VALUES AT ALFORDS POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL ARE AS SOLID AS A ROCK

Staff Development Days

This term the last day for both students and teachers is Wednesday 19 December. The school will be closed on Thursday 20 and Friday 21 December. These days are allocated Staff Development Days but throughout the year staff have attended 3 hour sessions of Professional Learning so that we are able to finish the term with the students. The school will be closed on 20 and 21 December. Thankyou for your cooperation.

Kindergarten Enrolment

If you have not enrolled your child as yet in Alford's Point Public School please come up to the school and we will give you an enrolment form and help you if you are unsure of what to do. It is really important that we have your enrolment form as this allows us to communicate dates coming up for Kindergarten 2019 and we would love everyone to be informed and involved.

Classes 2019

Planning has begun for classes in 2019. If you know that your child will not be attending school at Alford's Point Public School next year, could you please contact the office. This will greatly assist us in accurately planning classes for 2019.

Annette Wein
Principal

THE POINT CAFE

Thank you to all those who have volunteered and helped.

Monday

No volunteer

Wednesday

No volunteer

Thursday

Sue Wilkes

Friday

Alana Wittig

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK - T4, Week 1

KD	Elise
K-1J	Alira
1-2M	Emilie
1-2PK	Lila
3-4B	Lachlan
3-4R	Mateo
4-5M	Jessica
5-6D	Steven
5-6L	Nathaniel

Schools Spectacular Ice Block Tuesdays

In support of our Schools Spectacular team we will be fundraising by selling frozen treats each Tuesday in Term 4.



On Tuesday 23 October, our Schools Spectacular team will be selling frozen juice cups at lunchtime for \$1.

Thank you for your support.

LUCKY SEAT PRIZE

RAFFLES

LOLLY GUESS

RELAXING 2 COURSE LUNCH

ANNUAL FUNDRAISER SHOPPING DAY

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

COST: \$62 per person (\$57 with a senior's card)
Covers coach, morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea

DATE: Sunday, 11 November 2018

DEPARTURE: 7.30am sharp – please arrive by 7.15am.

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

RETURN: Approx 6pm.

Elle Accessories/Amelise Fashion	KB Toys
Premier Brands Outlet	Deb's Hidden Treasures
Gordon Smith Outlet	Shire Sweets & Gifts/Manchester
FSW Shoe Warehouse	Stax Lollies, chocolates, nuts & more
Handbag Factory Outlet	Card & Gifts Clearance Outlet
Corelle Brands Outlet	Random Harvest/Cosmetics Factory

To secure your seat and to make a payment, please contact Keryn Roberts
Phone: 0414 680 765 or Email: k.loyd77@hotmail.com

Please make your payment by: Friday, 26 October

UNIFORM SHOP
Opening Hours for 2018

The uniform shop will next be open on **31 October 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

Respect & Responsibility, Care & Compassion, Cooperation & Fairness



Learning Labs

JANUARY 2019

UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG AUSTRALIA
Outreach & Pathways

AN ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS FROM YEAR 1 TO YEAR 6

More information about the workshops on offer and the application process can be found online at uow.info/learninglabs

APPLICATIONS CLOSE TUESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2018

LITTLE LEARNING LABS (FOR YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2018)
WHEN: 7 and 8 January, 2019
WHERE: University of Wollongong
TIME: 9:00am - 2:00pm
SEE: \$155

LITTLE MINI-LABS (FOR YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2018)
WHEN: 9 January, 2019
SEE: \$85
 Location and times are the same as above

EARLY LEARNING LABS (FOR YEARS 3 TO 6 DURING 2018)
WHEN: 15 and 16 January, 2019
WHERE: University of Wollongong
TIME: 9:00am - 3:30pm
SEE: \$165

EARLY MINI-LABS (FOR YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2018)
WHEN: 17 January, 2019
SEE: \$90
 Location and times are the same as above



PROGRAM INFORMATION

Little and Early Learning Labs is an enrichment program designed for students who are excelling in their area of interest within their year group, and are seeking a challenging and fun experience during the school holidays.

All workshops are held over one (mini-labs) or two days, and are presented by teachers with specialist training or a specific interest in gifted education. There will be sponsorship places available for some participants- please see more details on how to apply for these places on the website.

WORKSHOPS ON OFFER- FULL LIST & WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS ONLINE

Learning Labs workshops cover a range of diverse and innovative disciplines that are designed to challenge and stimulate the interest of self-motivated and curious learners. Here are some examples of what's coming up in January:



Welcome to Hogwarts
 Professor Dumbledore and the other professors at Hogwarts invite you to spend two days with us taking part in a wide variety of Special Lessons. There will be classes in Transfiguration, Potions & Charms and Herbology, as well as a sorting hat ceremony!



Masters of Minecraft
 Develop your understanding and fluency in maker skills through the creative and building aspects of Minecraft, which enables you to build constructions in a 3D-generated world. Learn problem-solving and mathematical techniques to help you take your first steps into game design and development concepts.



Introducing Physics
 Why is the sky blue? Why does the moon change shape? What's the difference between heat and cold? These are all questions that physics can answer! Explore forces, energy, electricity, sound and heaps more in this hands-on workshop.



E-Textiles: Flashy Fashion
 Combine traditional sewing techniques and textiles with electronics and coding, to create a diverse range of interactive textile items such as a dress that glows and twinkles, or a shirt that can play a musical tune!

A full list of the available workshops to choose from will be posted on the website in October 2018 when applications open. Please note that the program books up quite quickly, so ensure you submit your application as early as possible.

APPLICATION & CONTACT DETAILS

For more detailed workshop descriptions, how to apply, FAQs, and the online application form, please go to: uow.info/learninglabs

For all other enquiries, please contact the Learning Labs team via:

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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.



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

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



FACT SHEET

ROAD SAFETY FOR KINDERGARTEN PARENTS

Do you have children starting kindergarten next year? Starting school is very exciting for your child. They may not be thinking much about safety, but you should.

Children are small, hard to see, behave unpredictably, and are extremely vulnerable. Their lack of road experience means it is difficult for them to judge dangerous situations. They will need your help to spot the dangers around traffic.

Sutherland Shire Council wants all children to be safe going to and from school - and that depends on you. Act safely when driving or walking around schools so our children will learn to be safe too.

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

- Make sure your children are in an appropriate child restraint in the car that is fitted and used correctly.
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit and keep a sharp lookout in school zones as children are about and can be unpredictable.
- Always park and turn legally around schools and avoid dangerous manoeuvres like U-turns and three-point turns.
- Up until the age of eight, always hold your child's hand whenever cars and other vehicles could be around. Park your car and walk them to the school gate.
- Drop older kids off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop-off and pick-up area.

- Avoid calling out to children from across the road because they may run to you without checking traffic.
- It's safest for the kids to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road, away from passing traffic.
- If walking to school, plan your trip so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.

STOP, LOOK, LISTEN AND THINK

Every time children cross the road, remind them to:

- **Stop** one step back from the kerb
- **Look** for traffic to your right, left and right again
- **Listen** for the sounds of approaching traffic
- **Think** whether it is safe to cross.

Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and use them when they are old enough to travel alone.

This brochure has been developed from the Transport NSW Centre for Road Safety website <http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au>

Find out more about Australian Road Rules at www.rms.nsw.gov.au

SIGNS YOU WILL SEE AROUND SCHOOL



NO PARKING
What does it mean?
You CAN stop in a NO PARKING zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. You must stay within three metres of your vehicle at all times.

Why is it there?
To provide a safe place for older children to be set down and picked up without endangering other children.



NO STOPPING SIGNS & CONTINUOUS YELLOW EDGE LINES
What do they mean?
You CANNOT stop in these areas FOR ANY REASON.

Why are they there?
To keep sight lines clear for drivers AND children so both have more time to avoid crashes.



BUS ZONE
What does it mean?
You must NOT stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving a bus.

Why is it there?
To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up. Cars parking in bus zones put lives at risk by forcing buses out of their safety zone.

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