

Newsletter of Alfords Point Public School

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Term 1 Week 1

Dear Parents, Staff & Students

Welcome Back

Welcome back to the 2019 school year. I hope you have all enjoyed a wonderful break with your families. I would especially like to welcome our new families to the Alfords Point school community.

We are glad to have you join us on this partnership of learning throughout 2019. The staff look forward to another wonderful year of learning with your children. We have lots of great initiatives planned to provide each student with an education which meets their needs and interests.

On Tuesday morning it was wonderful to see all our students wearing big smiles, looking very grown up and being ready for a great year of learning. Our first week back at school has been very busy of course, but all students have come back very settled and looking forward to the year ahead. As I visited every class this week it has been a pleasure to see all students happily engaging in 'getting to know you' activities, working out where to put bags, where to sit and working on negotiated class expectations. It was lovely to see so many smiling faces and even though there were some nerves, great resilience was shown.

Classes

This week students have been placed in their 2018 class group where they have been engaging in stage appropriate learning and reconnecting with their peers and teachers. In order to ensure we have all new and existing students accounted for this organisation will remain in place until our enrolment numbers are static and we are able to complete the final steps in the formation of 2019 classes. I appreciate your patience with this process. Our aim is to have students in their new classes by early next week. Waiting until our enrolment numbers are accurate will allow us to finalise our classes with less chance of encountering disruption later in the term, should our student enrolment numbers change significantly.

Best Start and Kindergarten 2019

Congratulations to our 2019 Kindergarten children who have been participating in the Best Start assessment this week. It was lovely to see some of the children arriving for their best start appointment in their school uniforms. Mrs Dobson and Mr John have enjoyed getting to know the students and are looking forward to a wonderful year of learning. A big thank you to all our new Kinder parents who have accommodated us in this initiative. Kindergarten students will start school on Monday 4 February. A morning tea will be held in the hall for all Kinder 2019 parents.

Staffing

There are some staff changes for 2019. Mrs Wilson has taken leave for semester 1, Mrs Brown will be working Monday to Thursday and Mrs Naoum will be working Tuesday and Wednesday. We warmly welcome Mrs Kate McNamara and Miss Georgia Bird to Alfords Point Public School.

A full list of staff roles and classes will be available in next week's newsletter.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Feb 4	Kindergarten First Day
Feb 6	Swimming Carnival Years 3-6
Feb 18	P&C Meeting 7pm Library
Feb 25	School Photos
Mar 5	Engadine Zone Swimming Carnival

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Parent Information Evenings

As always, the beginning of each school year is a new adventure for all involved. It is also a time where new information is being distributed and new procedures put in place. To help share this understanding of school and classroom expectations we will be holding Parent Information Evenings in week 4 and invite you to come along. It is important that you attend these sessions to gain knowledge about learning for your child at Alford's Point Public School. A note will be sent home next week with further details outlining the dates and times for each class.

School Photos

Our School Photographs will be taken on Monday 25 February, which is Week 5 Term 1. Envelopes will be sent home next week. Family photo envelopes will be available at the office if required.

Uniform shop

The uniform shop is located in the hall and is open once a fortnight on Wednesday mornings of every odd week from 8.30am – 9.15am. Parents are asked to purchase clothing from the uniform shop prior to the morning assembly as due to work commitments the shop will close promptly at 9.15am. Parents are welcome to leave orders for later collection at the office as this allows the uniform shop ladies time to put the orders together. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Thank you to Mrs Walker and Mrs Cale for facilitating this opportunity for our school community.

Annette Wein
Principal

SPORTS NEWS

We are very busy organising our Annual Swimming Carnival that is next Wednesday at Revesby Pool. It is vital all permission notes and money are returned to the yellow box in the office by **9.00am** Monday.

For smooth running of the carnival we require assistance from any available parents and family members. If you are able to help it would be greatly appreciated, just complete the bottom section of the permission note.

We had house meetings this morning where all students in Years 1-6 elected the 2019 Alford's Point Public School Sport House Leaders. Congratulations to those successful students listed below. During the meeting all students practised war cries and team tactics in readiness for the swimming carnival and other carnivals that will take place this year. The students are very excited. Remember the carnival is for all students in Years 3-6 and any students born in 2011 in Year 2 who are able to complete a 50 metre race in the deep pool. Here's hoping for fine weather.

2018 Sport House Captains

	Red	Blue	Yellow	Green
Captain	Halle	Sophie	Cara	Kaliyah
Captain	Perry	Jayden	Marko	Luca C
Vice captain	Aliyah	Bethani	Ruby	Liam
Vice Captain	Lily	Luca N	Zac	Jacob

Debbie Burke

SCHOOL PAYMENTS

This year we are promoting the online POP system as our preferred method of payment for all school monies. This is a much safer and secure way of paying money to the school and provides a quick reference for you and the school to check if payment has been made.

POP is accessed through the school website - <https://alfordspt-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

Once in the website you click on Make a Payment on the maroon ribbon and fill in the information with an asterisk (*). At the bottom you can tick the Other box and fill in what you are paying for. If paying for more than one thing you click on add payment and more boxes appear to fill in. Once you have made

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the payment you fill in the permission slip with the receipt number from POP and ask your child to place it in the drop box in front counter box.

With the introduction of LMBR the school now has the facility to accept payment for Fees in Advance. If you would like you can deposit an amount of money at the beginning of the year or Term to be used for any fees that may come up for your child. The permission note still has to be filled out and signed with a note on it saying "Use fees in advance". Some people find this very beneficial.

Of course, you are still able to pay with credit card, cash, cheque or EFTPOS by coming to the front office or placing the payment in the drop box in front counter along with the permission note. If paying by credit card there is a minimum payment of \$15.00. If paying with POP there is no minimum transaction.

When paying for more than one child you can put it in one transaction for the family whether it is POP, Credit Card, Cash, Cheque or EFTPOS

Denese Adderley

THE POINT CAFE

Please note that the canteen will be closed on Wednesday 6 February due to the Alford's Point Public School swimming carnival.



UNIFORM SHOP
Opening Hours for 2019

The uniform shop will next be open on **13 February 2019** and then once a fortnight on Wednesdays of every odd week, starting from 8.30am - 9.15am in the hall.

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Thank you

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School Security **1300 880 021** OR
Sutherland Police Station **9542 0899**





2019 NETBALL SEASON

Registrations Online
FROM 5/1/2019

Register through our website

- Netsetgo NET 5 to 7 years
- Netsetgo SET 8 to 9 years
- Juniors 10 to 17 years
- Seniors 18 and over

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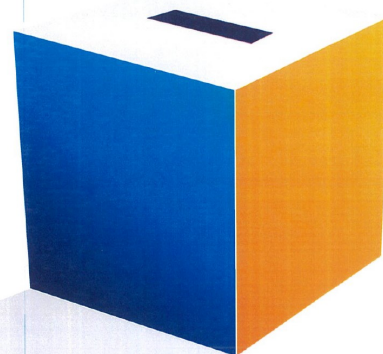
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2. Choose one of the below reward items and fill in your details on the corresponding reward coupon.
3. Take the reward coupon, along with your 10 silver Dollarmites tokens, to school in your Dollarmites deposit wallet on School Banking day.

Rules of the program

- To reward individual saving, no pooling of Dollarmites 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



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 Class: _____
 Student ID: _____

Sparkle Glitter Pens

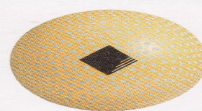
Released Term 2 2018



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: _____