

# The Speers Point Star



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Find us at Bell Street, Speers Point

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## Principal's Message

We have returned from the holidays to find that work has begun on our school with many of the trees and branches cleared from the grounds. It is wonderful to have the majority of our grounds back and looking as they should. Some initial repairs have begun on the Admin block and we're expecting that to be fully underway in the next few days.

At this time the Bell St entrance is remaining closed for general use due to safety. We know during construction that vehicles will be coming and going at different times during the day using the driveway and that the veranda and office will still be a construction zone. It's not a safe environment for students to be moving through. Once we can ensure student safety we will be looking to re-open access through Bell St because we do understand the difficulties with a single access point, especially in the afternoon.

## Athletics Carnival

We are all very excited for our Athletics Carnival tomorrow down at Wangi Oval this year due to an extreme price rise at the Glendale facility which simply made the whole day too costly for everyone.

Buses will take our students to and from the oval but we need to ensure students are at school before 9am to allow us to leave on time. There will be no teaching staff at school during the day as all will be attending the carnival.

While Wangi Oval has all the facilities for us to hold our carnival, there is no stand or seating area and students will have a designated seating area whilst not

competing. It is a good idea for students to bring a towel or picnic blanket to sit on.

## Education / Book Week – Next Week!

This year we have combined Education Week and Book Week into one super week with the open day / book parade on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July.

Students AND parents are encouraged to dress up for Book parade as their favourite book character ready for the march up Main St as far as Fifth St, and down to Speers St and back up to the school past our local library.

At recess community are invited to stay as a cake stall and milkshakes are up for sale, followed with open classrooms for community visitors and then sausage sizzle lunch.

## Myuna Bay Camp

I was having a chat with the very awesome Blue Gum class last week about our upcoming camp later this term. There is a note coming home this week for instructions on completing the medical notes online. This is a requirement of the camp but if it poses a problem for anyone please let us know how we might be able to assist.

Please get notes in ASAP so we can calculate accurate numbers for the camp!

For more information on the camp itself we were looking at the site:

<https://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/myunabay/>

## Speers Point App

The Speers Point app is now also available for download on Windows smartphones, as well as iPhone and Android. It is the best way to keep up to date on reminders and info. It is a free download from your app store.

## P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 6:30pm in the top block of buildings.

Between Athletics Carnival, Book Parade and P&C Meeting I'm looking forward to catching up with a lot of our community, please come and say hi to me if I don't get a chance to say hi to you first!

Have a wonderful week everyone! Enjoy the sunshine!

Chris Payne  
Principal

## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	School Athletics at Wangi
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup>	Education/Book Week
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup>	Education/Book Week Book Parade
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	Education/Book Week ICAS English
Thu 30 <sup>th</sup>	Education/Book Week
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>	Education/Book Week
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> August	Yr 3-6 Myuna Bay Camp Payment Due
Tue 11 <sup>th</sup>	ICAS Maths
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Athletics Day 1
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Athletics Day 2

## Term 2 Week 10 Education minister report

Mr Gandy, Mr Flannery and Mr Payne started to remove trees so that we have an easier access to our playground.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June we had our Recognition Assembly for Term 2. Everybody performed really well and we can't wait till this term's recognition assembly. We would also like to congratulate the students who received an award for achievement.

We recently found out that Miss Brooke our song room teacher will be staying with us for the whole year.

As most of you would know Miss Ford taught Bluegum class for the whole of Term 2 but sadly she has left & will not be returning for this Term. ☹️

Written by Brooke - Education Minister

## Birthdays

Wishing the following students a very Happy Birthday!

Isaiah W 23<sup>rd</sup> July  
Kyle C 25<sup>th</sup>



## P&C News

### School Fees

During term 1, a letter was sent home regarding the School Contributions for 2015 which provides much needed resources in our school. These contributions benefit all students by enhancing the school's ability to provide educational resources and make improvements to our technology and the school learning environment.

The amount is as follows:

- \$25 per student for paper levy, online spelling subscription and other resources
- \$30 one off payment per family

We thank all families who have made this contribution and would like to encourage those who have not yet paid this contribution to do so.

### Canteen

We would like to thank all our wonderful volunteers who do such a great job in our canteen.

### Sports Carnival Canteen

Our Canteen will be open at the Sports Carnival.



### Entertainment Book

Thank you for supporting our Entertainment Book Fundraiser. Please return your payment or book to school before the end of July.

### P&C Meeting

Our next P&C Meeting will be in Week 3 on (Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> July/Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> July) starting at 6.30pm. We will be planning our upcoming events including the Family Fun Fest (September 4, 2015) and Father's Day. Please join us, everyone is invited.



Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015

Dear Parents,

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July to Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker

Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit [woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)

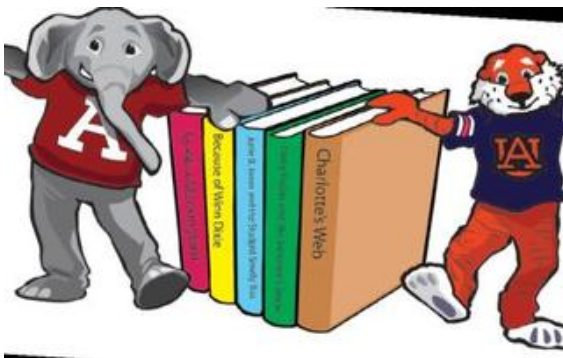
### Community News



Tuesday 28 July 2015

All lunch orders need to be  
handed in at school

by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July.



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### Lunch Order

Sausage Sandwich + Drink \$4.00

Name:

Class:

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Sausage Sandwich

Drink (Please choose)

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Orange Juice

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Apple Juice

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Apple/Blackcurrant Juice

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Water

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_