



# THE SPEERS POINT STAR

Growing Stronger and Smarter every day.

Find us at Bell Street, Speers Point

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8<sup>th</sup> August 2017

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## Principal's Message

Finally a year with no rain on our Book Parade! The sun was out, the walk was beautiful and Wally kept popping up along the way for us to find.

Thank you everyone for your great efforts with costumes and time to join us for one of our biggest community events of the year. It's wonderful to have parents dressing up too and parading with us.



Our book fair was very popular and sales from the fair earnt over \$500 worth of new books for our school.



Along with the cupcakes and milkshakes sales we have raised over \$300 towards the Year 6 Farewell at the end of the year.

## Canteen – URGENT HELP NEEDED

Our school canteen is getting desperately short of volunteers! Without volunteers we don't have a school canteen. If you are able to spare a day a month that will make all the difference. Generally, by 12:30pm canteen duties are finished for the day and it ends up



If you missed completing the community mini survey at Book Parade you can still share your thoughts online at <http://spps.polladdy.com/s/book-parade-survey>



being a half day event. We also are aware that some larger companies allow their staff a day a month to perform in a volunteer / charitable capacity.

We don't want to see our canteen reduced to a single day or not open at all. Please help where you can. You can contact the school or Dan, our P&C president on 0420 441 411

### 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Tickets are now on sales for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on 15<sup>th</sup> September at:

<https://www.stickytickets.com.au/56353/>

This will be a great night for past and present staff and community along with alumni for dinner and entertainment along with a look back over 60 years of awesomeness.

Speers Point  
Public School

60th Anniversary Celebration

Stepping back  
at Club Macquarie

Friday 15 Sep

Tickets \$40 - Covers entry, buffet & entertainment

STARTS AT 6PM - ADULTS 18+ ONLY

Tickets at: [stickytickets.com.au/56353](https://www.stickytickets.com.au/56353/) Info: 4958 1230

### Roofing Completion – almost there!

At this stage we are still expecting the roofing works to be wrapping up by the end of next week. Having a look at the work the new roof is on to all three sections and new ceilings have been installed. The old awnings were

removed just yesterday and the new ones, extending out from the new roof. The rooms, now with higher ceilings, look much bigger, as does the COLA area now that the low awnings are gone.

While the work has caused some changes, the whole project is certainly improving a big part of our school. Regular photos have been going on our school Facebook page for viewing.



### Kindergarten 2018

We're very excited that we already have quite a few names and enrolment forms in for Kinder 2018. We know that a number of our students have siblings ready to start in 2018 but may not have their name on the list or enrolment forms in yet. Please get these in ASAP so we can plan for Kinder orientation next term.

Judging by our current interest Kinder 2018 looks to be our biggest intake of students in 10 years. With five new students who started with us the beginning of this term our school is at our highest number in over two years. Our little school is growing!

To our new students and parents, welcome to the family!

Chris Payne  
Principal

## Upcoming Events

<b>Term 3 Week 5</b>	
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Zone Athletics
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup>	Roof Completion
<b>Week 6</b>	
Thu 24 <sup>th</sup>	Awabakal/Glenrock Excurions
<b>Week 7</b>	
Tue 29 <sup>th</sup>	The Aunty Peach Show
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Father's Day Breakfast/Stall

**EXPECTATION AWARDS****Week 3**

<b>Wattle</b>	Marley Tredinnick Archer Tredinnick
<b>Cedar</b>	River Gilmour, Lilian Rounsley
<b>Blue Gum</b>	Zavier Hitchcock
<b>Bonzai</b>	Brodie Monger, Kye Smith
<b>Banksia</b>	Austin

**AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE****Week 4**

<b>Eucalypt</b>	Eleni Lewis
<b>Wattle</b>	Blake Moffitt, Alaska Hitchcock, Hayden Cumming
<b>Cedar</b>	Mia Smith, Nikita O'Brien
<b>Blue Gum</b>	Bailey Convery
<b>Bonzai</b>	Kobi Gardner, Lachlan Wardley

**Student Refunds**

Unfortunately, with the introduction of our new schools finance system which commenced in June 2016, we are no longer able to provide cash or cheque refunds to parents. However we can provide an EFT (electronic funds transfer) into your nominated bank account.

If you require a refund in the future please collect a student refund application form for our school office, once we receive your completed form our school office staff will submit your form for processing. We have been informed from our School Finance Unit that, EFT refunds generally only take a few days to appear in your nominated bank account.

**Reminders**

**Awabakal/Glenrock** excursion permission note as well as the Medical note needs to back at school by **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August**. Spare permission/medical notes available at the office.

**Zone Athletics** note and money must be in by no later than Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August.

**The Aunty Peach Show** – Permission note and payment needs to be in no later than Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August.

**NO LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Don't forget our micro fibre sports tracksuit pant and jacket Sale

**SPECIAL PRICE!**

Track pants now \$15

Track jacket now \$20

Limited stocks available.

**Canteen Roster**

Week 4	Wednesday 9/8	Rae Nelson Volunteer needed
Week 4	Friday 11/8	Volunteer needed
Week 5	Wednesday 16/8	Jennifer Moore Volunteer needed
Week 5	Friday 18/8	Ali McIntyre Sheridan Hitchcock
Week 6	Wednesday 23/8	Jennie Moore Volunteer needed
Week 6	Friday 25/8	Lisa Rich Volunteer needed



Week 7	Wednesday 30/8	Jennie Moore Volunteer needed
Week 7	Friday 1/9	Ali McIntyre Volunteer needed
Week 8	Wednesday 6/9	Rae Nelson Volunteer needed
Week 8	Friday 8/9	Volunteer needed
Week 9	Wednesday 13/9	Jennifer Moore Volunteer needed
Week 9	Friday 15/9	Ali McIntyre Sheridan Hitchcock
Week 10	Wednesday 20/9	Jennie Moore Volunteer needed
Week 10	Friday 22/9	Canteen Closed

## We Need your HELP!!!

Parents, Carers, Grandparents and friends  
Our Canteen faces the risk of closing due to lack of volunteers.

If you can help out in any way, in any timeslot we would greatly appreciate it.

Shifts are only 3 hours long and can be once a week or once a fortnight or a once off when you are free.

Please see Dan, our P&C president 0420 441 411 or the office to pledge your support.

Thank you  
Speers Point P&C

## Community News

**BULK billed**  
**EYE**  
examinations

health fund  
**DIRECT**  
**BILLING**

FIND US ON  
facebook

Speers Point Singleton  
1/177 Main Rd 1/65 John St  
p 4958 7892 p 6571 5600

**aie** optical  
Eyecare & Eyewear

## Good for Kids good for life

### EAT A RAINBOW

Fruit and vegetables come in all the colours of the rainbow! But did you know that each colour provides different nutrients so why not pack a different colour for each day of the week?

- Red:** Red capsicum sticks, cherry tomatoes, strawberries, red grapes
- Orange/Yellow:** Carrot sticks, yellow capsicum sticks, oranges, mandarins, pineapple
- Green:** Cucumber sticks, celery sticks, snow peas, green beans, kiwi fruit
- Purple/Blue:** Red cabbage in salads, plums, blueberries
- Brown/White:** Mushrooms, cauliflower rice, banana



PHONE 4924 6499



## Variety Kids Xmas Party 2017 Newcastle

Join us for the first Newcastle Variety Kids Christmas Party, a special event full of fun and entertainment for kids who have a disability, chronic illness or who are experiencing financial hardship.

There will be on stage entertainment, games, rides and even some special guests all the way from the North Pole! See the details below:

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

4pm – 9pm

McDonald Jones Stadium; Turton Road Broadmeadow

Cost: **FREE!**

Parents, guardians and siblings also welcome

Register your interest now via:

<https://www.variety.org.au/nsw/events/>



For any questions, please contact us on 02 4965 4911  
We hope to see you there!