



# Shellharbour Public School

## NEWSLETTER

Term 4 - Week 1 2019

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## Grandparent's Day

The school's Grandparent's Day celebrations were held on Thursday, 26 September, 2019. It was a wonderful day and we would like to thank all of the grandparents who attended the day. It truly showed the great sense of community as there were many grandparents who stepped in for students who could not have their grandparents attend the day.

The school provided morning tea. We would like to thank Kelly McIlquham and Glenice Wilson, from the school canteen, who worked tirelessly to make this happen. Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students performed in a concert for their grandparents as part of the celebrations.

Kindergarten performed 'We're going on a Bear Hunt', whilst Year 1 completed a dance to 'Can't Stop the Feeling' and Year 2 students sang a heartfelt 'A Million Dreams'. The concert was compared by Year 2 students, Stormy Kahler and Max Vergan; with Hunter Barrett, Sonny Cooper and Freddie Carr reciting a poem describing why Grandparents are so important. Miki Kerr shared amusing memories about her grandparents, and Evelyn Rowlands and Ethan Wheatley enlightened us with tips on 'How to babysit a Grandma and Grandpa'. We would like to thank all of the teachers who worked with their classes to get items ready for the special day. A special thank you to Ms Kencevski for co-ordinating the day.







## The Debating Team

Our talented debating team comprising of Annie King, Sienna Munro, Hannah Marshall and Zoe Dunning travelled to our long-term rivals Jamberoo Public School on Wednesday, 11 September to decide who would progress to the semi-finals of the Illawarra-South East competition. The topic was 'Schools should hold compulsory cooking classes for all students', with Shellharbour taking the affirmative. Arguments about the need to address healthy eating, where this would fit within our current school curriculum and costs involved, were raised and fiercely contested by both teams. Speakers from both sides spoke brilliantly for 3 to 4 minutes each after only an hour of preparation- not an easy task! In a closely contested debate, victory was awarded to Jamberoo, ending the Shellharbour teams 2019 season. I am incredibly proud of these girls and the amazing progress they have made this year- this is the most successful team Shellharbour has had in many years!



Mrs Cathy Testa, Debating Co-Ordinator



# Ninja Warrior

As part of Celebration Day in Term 3, the students participated in a Ninja Warrior course. Celebration Day is aimed and designed for students to celebrate positive behaviour choices for the entire term. This year the students completed a course which included the steps, a swinging rope across the sandpit, hurdles to go over and under, tyres to run through, a cargo net to crawl under and climb across. Each student was timed as they proceeded through the course. Year 6 students provided much needed support for the students going through the course. The Ninja Crew on the day were amazing and it was wonderful to see the encouragement and support that they provided to each and every student who attempted the course. Ninja Warrior is such a huge celebration day to organise and we could not have done it without the expertise and motivation of Mrs Dorrian. This event is something that the students really enjoy and work so hard to achieve. Thank you to all of the parents who attended and came to watch their child. It made it such a special day for them.







## Tell Them From Me

This term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 26 August and 25 October. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated. To complete the survey, please visit the school's unique code below to participate. Thanking you in advance.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/yxt5q>



# COS Public Speaking

On Thursday, 12 September, Shellharbour Public School completed the school finals of the Community of Schools Public Speaking Competition. The students needed to prepare a speech on various topics. Public Speaking can be a very difficult, but important skill that students can use for the rest of their lives. The teachers were overwhelmed by the effort and courage it took for all students in the school who participated in this experience. The topics and stage finalists are listed below:



Kindergarten had to perform a speech which went for between 45 seconds to a minute on the topic 'When I grow up...' The finalists were:

- Eric Manning
- Lexi Dorrian
- Enzo Ciocca
- Harvey Cuthbert

Stage One students (Years 1 and 2) had to perform a speech on 'Friends are...' which was between 1 minute 15 seconds and 1 minute 30 seconds). The finalists were:

- Amarli Daszkowski
- Leyla Yuksel
- Hayden Sleight
- Ryda Davies

Stage Two students (Years 3 and 4) had to perform a speech on 'My Hero...' which was between 2 and 3 minutes). The finalists were:

- Rose O'Loughlin
- Lexi Mustafa
- Hunter Grenfell
- Bennett Smart

Stage Three students (Years 5 and 6) had to perform a speech on 'My Hero...' which was between 3 and 4 minutes). The finalists were:

- Jaeda Lome
- Kalem Hawke
- Sienna Munro
- Priya Foley

From these finals, a representative from each stage was chosen to represent the school at the COS Public Speaking Competition which was held at Warilla High School. These students included:

- ES1 - Eric Manning (won COS Final)
- S1 - Leyla Yuksel (won COS final)
- S2 - Lexie Mustafa
- S3 - Priya Foley

Both Eric and Leyla won their respective divisions at Warilla High School.



We are so proud of each and every student who represented their school at this event. They did themselves, their families and the school extremely proud. We would like to congratulate them on the effort and hard work they put into achieving this result. A huge thank you to Mr Carter who organised and co-ordinated the school based tournament and liaised with the High School.

## Kinder to Year 2 Shoelace Tying

As part of an initiative provided by Shellharbour Square Athletics Foot, Kindergarten to Year 2 students participated in shoe lace tying lessons. As part of these lessons students were shown the method and provided with practical skills and strategies to be successful. Tying shoelaces can be difficult for students and they require a lot of rehearsal. All of the students did really well during this activity. We are hoping that parents can continue this great work at home.



## Kindergarten Orientation

This year's Kindergarten Orientation is approaching quickly. Letters have been posted to families that have been successfully enrolled for Kindergarten 2020. If you know of someone who is planning to enrol for Kindergarten in 2020 and has not done so yet, please encourage them to complete their enrolment forms at the school office as soon as possible. We want to ensure that the students have the opportunity to attend their orientation.

## P & C Movie Night Fundraiser

This year the P & C will be running a movie night for students on Friday, 25 October. Kindergarten to Year 2 will watch a screening of 'Lego Movie 2' between 4:15 and 6:15 pm. This will be followed by 'Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban' for Years 3 to 6 between 6:30 and 9:15 pm. Notes have been issued to students and are available on the SkoolBag App and the school website. This event is for Shellharbour Public School students only.



## Bicycle Safety

The riding of bicycles to and from school is a great form of exercise for students. As a vehicle user however, there are certain responsibilities that come along with this. It is important that when riding your bicycle or scooter to school that you remain alert for pedestrians who are using the footpath. Students need to ensure that they walk their bikes into and from the school grounds. In addition, when there are a number of pedestrians, that cyclists and scooter riders dismount to ensure the safety of themselves, but the safety of others. As a school, we have spoken to all of our riders about these responsibilities and we are hoping that you reiterate this at home.

## Assembly Award Winners

This week's Assembly Award winners include:

Gold Medals		
Adele Ackers Laura Gibbons		
Banners		
Matari Brooks Stevie Olds Skye Sinclair		
Pennants		
Sienna Munro Bailey Bedford Lucinda Cunningham Matari Brooks Stevie Olds Bowie Gray Marcus Cuthbert Nate McIlquham Freddie Carr Matilda Hill Nate Monsuere Harvey Cuthbert Nicholas Roberts Jindy McIlquham	Wynn Moller Kai Wilms Oliver Larkin Adele Ackers Addyson Cherry Poppy Taylor Ruby Beck Nash Carter Domanic Jovanovski Travis Robinson Chloe Miller Skye Sinclair Jason Petreski Laura Gibbons (3)	Ike Matthesius Drew Whalan Olivia Krstevski Dusty Cullen Coco Balmain Cruiz Peterson Jaelan Hegedus Lexi Dorrian Hannah Fullwood Matilda Mackenzie Sonny Krstevski Chase Bates Keeley Tynan Owen Cavanagh



Congratulations to all of these award winners. Your hard work and dedication has allowed you to achieve these awards. These awards were presented at the assembly on Thursday, 29 August 2019

This week's Assembly Award winners include:

Banners		
Jason Petreski Austin Raftery		
Pennants		
Lucas Wilcox Amelia Coughlan Ryah Hayward Max Buhac	Roman Davies Imogen Young Tamika Grimshaw Austin Raftery	Ginger Kerr Slayter Cherry William Mason

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## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
Wednesday, 16 October	P & C Meeting
Monday, 21 October	Whole School Photo
Tuesday, 22 October	School Photo Day – Class and Individual Photos
Monday, 21 to Friday, 25 October	Classes visit the Art Space in Shellharbour
	Year 4 students on excursion to Mt Keira Scout Camp
Wednesday, 11 September	Warilla High School representatives coming to visit Year 6
Monday, 18 to Friday, 29 November	Swim School for Year 2 students
Wednesday, 4 December	Presentation Day

## P & C Meeting

Thank you to the members of the P & C that attended the last meeting for making me feel so welcome. The next P & C meeting will be held on Wednesday, 16 October 2019 starting at 6.30 pm in the staffroom. All welcome to attend!

*Belinda Dawson, Relieving Principal*





# Shellharbour Playtime Playgroup

Come and join us for each week for a morning of fun. There will be music, storytime, craft and more!

**When:** Tuesday mornings 9:30-11:30

**Where:** Shellharbour Public School Hall

**Who:** Parents, grandparents, carers and kids  
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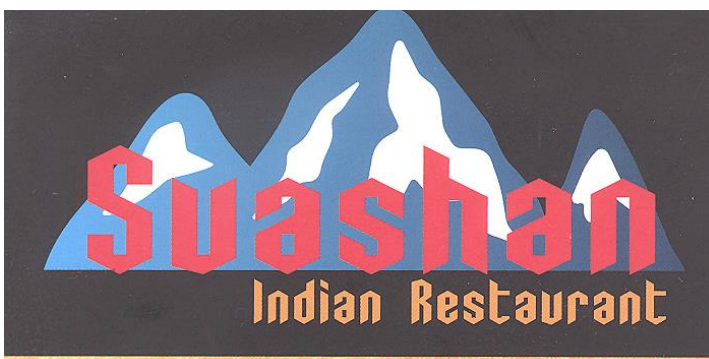


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
  
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