**Principal’s Message**

**GENEROUS DONATION**

Maple and Syrup our resident hens received a big surprise last Friday when the Bot (Liam Yr.3 and Keshna (Yr.1) family generously donated a water feeder to our two feathered friends. The school greatly appreciates the community spirited gesture and Maple and Syrup are certainly enjoying the constant supply of fresh clean water. Watching them yesterday they have quickly adapted to their new water feeding system.

**NAPLAN RESULTS**

The school’s NAPLAN results arrived on Tuesday. At a quick glance the staff was satisfied with the results in most areas. Next week as a staff we will analyse the results more thoroughly to gain an insight into performance trends, areas of strength and areas needing development.

A report outlining staff findings will be published early next term.

**NO WRAP CHALLENGE**

Today was the second week of the challenge. Last week all staff and nearly 100% of students participated in the challenge. Staff enjoyed the discussions amongst students about how proud they were of their healthy lunches. Angela of Kindergarten Roxy was very proud of her prepared lunch.

Tara Scruse (Kane Yr.1, Ryan Yr.4 and Dion Yr.6) has added further incentives to the challenge by donating two quality Tupperware lunch boxes as awards for two students with the most interesting lunches. This is also another generous donation from our community to support school initiatives.

**PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE**

Yesterday students in Stages 2 & 3 ‘battled it off’ to represent Huskisson Public School in the Premier’s Spelling Bee Regional Finals to be held at Bowral Public School.

Our eventual winners were –

**Stage.2**
Ryan.S Yr.4 – Winner
Chloe.L Yr.4 – Runner-up

**Stage.3**
Colby.S Yr.5 – Winner
River.F Yr.6 – Runner up

**Diary Dates**

- Friday 21st Aug * Regional Athletics Carnival (qualified students)
  * Last day Premiers Reading Challenge
- Monday 24th Aug School Photo Day
- Friday 28th Aug Senior Gala Day - Cricket
- Tuesday 1st September
  * Choir Rehearsal At Nowra High School
  * Town Library performance (K - 2)
INTENSIVE SWIMMING SCHEME
Our school has once again enrolled in the annual intensive learn to swim program. Initial details Term 4
Wk.5 – 26th to 30th October
Wk.6 – 2nd to 6th November
Costings will include bus travel and pool entry only. Priority is given to non-swimmers in Years 2 and 3. Any places remaining will be offered to Year 4 non-swimmers.

WEDNESDAY CHESS
A very pleasing roll up of 24 students enjoyed a game of chess in the school's Library yesterday. It was also very pleasing to see we had students from Kindergarten to Year 6 both boys and girls enjoying the traditional game of strategy. I'd like to thank Mick Khourey (Chimonι Yr.1) for his assistance.

PHOTOS
This happens next Monday. It will be a day of slick hairstyles and beautiful smiles. Make sure you brush those teeth!

ASSEMBLY NEXT THURSDAY
Our next assembly will include Super Star Awards and a performance by the school’s choir. The performance will include two songs our choir will perform at the Shoalhaven Public Schools Music Festival.

SHOALHAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL
Tickets are now on sale for $7 each at the main office. This is a great night that showcases the musical talents of students from public schools across the Shoalhaven.
When - Wednesday 2nd September at Nowra High School auditorium commencing at 7pm.

Glenn Sansom
Principal ☺

SCHOOL PHOTOS – MONDAY 24TH AUGUST
School photos will be done by Don Wood Photography on Monday 24th August.
Envelopes for Individual photo orders have be sent home.

Student Individual Photo:
Each student must have his or her own envelope.
If one student is paying for his/her siblings, the parent can nominate which envelope the payment goes in. The parent is to fill in the name and class of the paying student on the back section of each sibling’s order envelope.

Cheques should be made payable to Don Wood Photography.

Cash must be exact amount as change cannot be given.

Family Photo:
A family photograph will not be taken unless a Family Photo Envelope has been handed in. These are available at the office.

Individual and Family envelopes must be completed and sent back to school by Friday 21st August.

Envelopes for sports and special groups can be collected at the office after photo day.

Correct new uniform should be worn. We have made contingency plans for those students who are still wearing the old uniform.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
MONDAY 24TH AUGUST 2015
DON WOOD PHOTOGRAPHY
Envelopes have been sent home.
Family envelopes to be picked up from office
STEPHANIE ALEXANDER PROGRAM MASTERCHEFS.
Our Master Chefs from class 3/4 this week were Lauren, Jodie, Liam and Tai. The students made Mini Baked Cheesecakes. Helping Liesel this week was Pat and Elvan who did some Maths tutoring. Thank you.

ATHLETICS
Firstly I would like to thank all of the wonderful helpers that assisted at our School Athletics carnival. Without the help our carnivals would be very difficult to organise and run on the day.

The overall pointscore for athletics saw Boronia as the House Champions for 2015.
Boronia 284  Waratah 276  Banksia 270

AGE CHAMPIONS
Junior Girl - Emma Sadler  Junior Boy - Jack Stevens
11 Year Girl - Charmaine Galilejevs  11 year Boy - River Fryar
Senior Girl - Madi Cross  Senior Boy - Dan Moore

Congratulations also to our 4 students that will be attending the South Coast regional Athletics carnival in Canberra tomorrow.
Dan Moore - Shot Put and Discus
River Fryar - Shot Put
Emma Sadler - Discus
Clay Hancock - Shot Put

Good luck!
NOWRA TOWN LIBRARY INCURSION TO SCHOOL
Celebrating Book Week Nowra Town Library is bringing their Readers Theatre Performance to our school on **Tuesday 1st September at 11:30am** in the Library. Kinder to Year 2 will get to see this performance at no cost to the students.

BOOK FAIR
Thank you to parents, grandparents and carers making our Book Fair very successful.
Our sales for the day was over $3,000.00. We have started purchasing some more books.
Below is a photo of these books.

CANTEEN NEWS
Canteen will be open as usual next **Wednesday 26th August**

Thanking you, Canteen Managers
Very soon
the Responsible Pet Education Program
is coming to visit you at your school!

My pet dog will be coming
to help teach you how to
be safe around dogs and
how to say hello to dog
with their owners!

There will be lots of
listening, role plays,
singing and some
dancing.

My dog may even
meet you during the visit.
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♥ Hold your child with compassion, as well as yourself
♥ respond consciously rather than react habitually
♥ move from judging and blaming self and others to clarity, understanding and compassionate connection
♥ parent in alignment with your values
♥ Bring more joy and harmony into your family

Come along to this special half day focus on Parenting with Compassionate Communication (NVC) and gain more tools to actively support your parenting and family harmony.

When: Sunday 27 September 2015; 9.30am - 12.30pm
Where: Shoalhaven Arts Centre, 12 berry Street, Nowra
Investment: $75, Early Bird $55 for bookings by August 27; Couples, $100
morning tea included   Places limited   Nourish yourself and your relationship
No prior experience needed   ♥ Bookings: 0413960777   ♥ Email: pauletteNVC@gmail.com

Build skills to support your parenting,
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Paulette’s facilitation style is stimulating & supportive and activities are experiential & relevant.

“Thank you for a very gentle, nourishing process that was good for my soul and for my relationship with myself and my family.” Y.H. Parent, Mullumbimby
Compassionate Communication\textsuperscript{(NVC)}

For Clarity and Connection

Most of us long for harmony in our relationships, yet so often the way we express ourselves and listen to each other leads to misunderstanding, frustration and disconnection. Sound familiar?

This Afternoon Workshop will explore:

- ways of communicating that is respectful of everyone
- what helps create connection and compassion
- How to respond rather than react, especially when feeling a strong emotional state
- experience how focused listening to one another can support connection, understanding & the quality of all your relationships - with partner, family and friends.

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Contact Paulette for bookings & more information PH: 0413 960 777

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