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**NEWSLETTER** –Monday 25th August 2014 - Term 3, Week 7

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**Canberra Excursion** – A huge *Thank you* to our 10 participating parent helpers and 19 students who attended our 4 day excursion to our capital city Canberra and our time in the snow at Perisher! I’m sure everyone would agree it was a fabulous and enjoyable time where everyone worked together to make this an experience to remember for a long time. The venues we visited were a great learning environment for all! Our students will be completing recounts and producing brochures to reinforce their new knowledge on our Capital city, Canberra and discovering democracy. More photo’s on our Facebook page.

**TRIVIA night thank you** - A special thank you to Suzanne, Kirstie and especially Rachelle O’Connell for a tremendous effort and successful fundraising Trivia Night on Saturday night. It was very well organised, loads of fun and most people left with at least one prize from our generous local businesses. Please note the below list of our wonderful donators and please support their businesses.
Trivia Night Prize Donors


Active After School Sport- Tuesdays at school for Lawn Bowls at 2.50-3.50pm. Fridays at Salamander Super strike from 3.40- 4.40pm until 12th September.

CULTURAL PROJECT - View www.BobsFarmHistoryTour.weebly.com if anyone is interested in looking and assisting with ideas and information.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program – This Wed; Leafy salad, Leafy Green Ravioli, Silverbeet, tomato and potato curry with Indian flat bread. We will need parent helpers so please contact Megan. This will allow children to demonstrate a wide range of cooking techniques, with each step building up to the final assembly and the glorious dishes!

Life Education – Life Education NSW will be visiting our school again on 3rd September. Please return permission notes that were in last week’s newsletter ASAP.

A message from Mrs Allen- I would like to officially welcome Mrs Cherie Edwards to our school. Mrs Edwards began her 4 week teaching practicum in K12 last week and will be with us until the end of week 9. She has already had the opportunity to work with K12 as well as some Primary students whilst others were away on the Canberra excursion, and will be teaching some lessons as of this week.

Jump Rope for Heart- A reminder that our ‘Jump Off’ day (Friday 12th September) is fast approaching. Students have been practicing their skipping skills, and we have already noticed an improvement in the skills and fitness of many students. For those who have been raising funds for the Heart Foundation- Thankyou! , If you have not been able to fundraise yet, there are 3 weeks to go and any amount, large or small, goes a long way. Don’t forget that you can fundraise online as well, and that half of the money raised will come directly back to the school. It is important that Mrs Allen collect all money and sponsorship forms (even the unused ones), by our Jump Off day so that it can be forwarded to the Heart Foundation by the end of the term.

Woodworking Project

Enclosed is $8.00 for a wooden tool box which will be made with Nelson Bay Woodwork group on August 28th at school.
Name of student/students …………………

Amount enclosed ………………………

Signed ……………………………………………………………………………….

Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (Pacer)

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs for all students Year 4 and up. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and will be credited against future school costs.
**Go Kindy Early Education Centre Family Fun & Open Day**

**When:** - Saturday 13th September 2014    **Time:** - 10am – 1pm  
**Where:** - Go Kindy Saltash , 2634 Nelson Bay Rd, Saltash.

**EVERYONE WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY:-**

- Face Painting, Jumping Castle
- Free Sausage Sizzle
- Cup Cake Stall, Clothing Stall
- Meet our New Farm Friends & Feeding Times.
- Children's Art Work
- Lucky Door Prize for the first 100 children a free Go Kindy Drink Bottle & Welcome Bag.

MONEY RAISED ON THE DAY WILL BE HELPING MEISHA'S FAMILY & THE MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE FOUNDATION.

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**NELSON BAY TOUCH – JUNIORS**

**2014/15 REGISTRATION**

**Registration Dates, Cost & Venue**

**When:**

- Wednesdays 10 & 17 September 2014 - 4.30 - 6.30pm  
  (Teams & Individuals – players not already in a team)

**Cost:**

- $50.00 per player

**Where:**

- Salamander Sports Complex (Junior Rugby League fields), Salamander Bay

Rego Forms can be downloaded from: [www.nelsonbay.touch.asn.au](http://www.nelsonbay.touch.asn.au)

**Boys & Girls Age Divisions**

(Age Divisions are based on State Cup Criteria for 2015)

- 8’s (Born in or after 2007)
- 10’s (Born in or after 2005)
- Intermediate (Born in or after 1999)
- 12’s (Born in or after 2003)
- 14’s (Born in or after 2001)

New players must bring Birth Certificate or Passport for sighting

If you require any further information please contact:  
Maree Edmond, Jnr Co-Ordinator, Mobile 0417616865

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**Salamander Bay Shopping Centre Helping Hands Fundraiser**

Salamander Bay Shopping Centre is currently holding a Helping Hands Campaign to support local veterans and their families. Given the large amount of veterans in the Port Stephens area, we would like to give back to the community by supporting those who support us. For the last ten years, the toilets next to Target Country featured hand prints on the tiles throughout the corridor walls for a Helping Hands campaign. Unfortunately these tiles have had to come down as the toilets are being refurbished, so we have decided to run the campaign again. We invite local children and their families to come along to the Centre between 12pm and 4.30pm daily until 29th August, and 9am – 5pm on Saturday 30th August to our table in front of Kmart, where for a $5 donation you can have your hand print placed on a tile. The tiles will go up on the toilet corridor walls and be displayed for many years to come. All money raised goes directly to Port Stephens Legacy and the Nelson Bay RSL Sub-Branch.
VEGEMITE SURFGROMS IS NOW AVAILABLE IN YOUR REGION!

VEGEMITE SurfGroms has landed in Port Stephens with Port Stephens Surf School now delivering the program! VEGEMITE SurfGroms offers youngsters aged between 5 and 12 years old the opportunity to learn how to surf in a fun, safe and supervised environment, whilst also learning vital ocean awareness and beach safety skills. These are essential skills for every child growing up in this region of Australia.

The VEGEMITE SurfGroms program has been portrayed as a flagship participation program by the Australian Government and presents an AMAZING opportunity to introduce your children to a healthy, fun and iconic Australian lifestyle that can be embraced for a lifetime.

To sign up to a VEGEMITE SurfGroms program, simply visit www.surfgroms.com
If you would like further information, please don’t hesitate to contact Luke Michalak @ PSSS info@portstephenssurfschool.com,
Port Stephens Surf School can be found on the SurfGroms website.