Congratulations Ms Coyle

Ms Karen Coyle has been successful in gaining the temporary Relieving Principal position at Huskisson Public School until the end of Term 3, 2013. While we are very sad to say farewell (albeit temporarily) it is a wonderful leadership opportunity for Ms Coyle. Class 5C will be taken by Mrs Croan until the end of term and then by Ms Robyn Scott for the remainder of Ms Coyle’s absence. We wish Ms Coyle well and know that Huskisson PS is in good hands. 5C has had a wonderful start to 2013 and I know they will continue with their positive attitudes and admirable efforts. I thank parents and students of 5C for their support and understanding.

Harmony Day

Last Thursday, 21st March students and staff at SIPS recognised and celebrated cultural diversity and multiculturalism as part of Harmony Day. The students and staff looked fantastic in their orange and the decorated hand shapes displayed around the school were impressive. Well done everyone.

Our Ninth Class

Thank you to the staff for the many long and considered discussions on the class changes and a special thank you to the parents and students for their understanding and support. The benefits of smaller class numbers is the best outcome for all and we can assure you that class programs, learning support and every possible opportunity will still be available to your children as always. The new class structure will start from Tuesday 2nd April. Mrs Hayek’s class will be in the new block - Room 12 and known as 2/3H.

National Parks and Wildlife Visit

SIPS students were able to find out more about the local dolphin attraction and how important it is to leave it alone. Representatives from NPWS, ORCA and Marine Wildlife spoke about the unusual situation the young dolphin is in and why we must keep to the exclusion zone of 50m. Some fantastic questions prompted very useful information. Let’s hope she finds her way back to her rightful home soon.

Happy Harold Visits SIPS

Next week we will see the Life Education Van visit Sussex Inlet Public School. The grade appropriate sessions cover many topics included in the Health and Personal Development strands of our NSW syllabus. Thank you to the many parents who have already paid. Each class will be attending the session with their teacher and will complete related activities from the workbook which is included in the cost.

Easter Hat Parade
Next Thursday 28th March, we will celebrate the Easter season with our Easter Hat Parade. All students from Kindergarten to Year 2 will be invited to make a hat at school to wear in the parade. Parents, family and friends are all very welcome. The Parade will commence at 10.45am.

**Scripture Assembly**

Our very dedicated Scripture leaders will be presenting a combined assembly on Thursday commencing at 9.00am.

**Stage 3 Canberra Excursion**

Thank you to the parents and students who have returned their note and deposit to secure a place on this great educational excursion. To confirm our bookings with each of the venues, we must have final numbers by Wednesday 27th March please.

**Southern Stars 2013**

Sussex Inlet Public School’s participation in this year’s Southern Stars performance requires a huge commitment from staff, students and families. It is a truly wonderful opportunity for our students but it takes a dedicated team to see it come to fruition. Please take time to talk with your child if they are interested in either the dance or combined choir groups. Places applied for are; Dance - 20 and Choir - 25. Numbers for both need to be carefully considered and staff consulted on responsibilities and roles. There will be a meeting for schools involved early in Term 2 where more details will be made available. The dates are August 30th and 31st, 2013. Please check your calendars to avoid clashes.

**P & C Committee**

Congratulations to the following parents who have been successful in gaining positions on our P & C Committee for 2013.

President: Bronwyn Hedger
Vice-President: Rachael Banwell
Secretary: Vicki Harris
Treasurer: Leanne Robinson
Publicity Officer: Tracy Solari

Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at our assembly.

**Starfish Awards**

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**Dates to Remember**

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Clifford is going to have a very exciting time spending Easter with Marlin W.
Shoalhaven Netball

Congratulations to Emily Gand Lauina H who have been selected in the South Shoalhaven Zone Netball Team. Well done girls.

Science Week

On Thursday 21st March, 5C and 1G had a Science Challenge Day. We investigated *What Scientists Do.* We each studied a famous scientist and dressed up as that person. The other students had to work out who we were. We completed a *Who am I* for clues. We then worked in Co-operative Learning Groups for 2 science challenges. The topic was; *Things That Fly.* One challenge was to make a car using only the materials provided. The other challenge was to make a plane following instructions and using a straw as the body. It was a great day and we all had a lot of fun.

Stewart House Fundraiser

As part of our school’s commitment to help raise money for charity, the SRC will be selling blue and white handballs for three dollars to raise money for the Stewart House Foundation. The SRC has pre-ordered 120 of these balls so it will be first in best dressed. The SRC will be selling the handballs outside Mr Neich’s room at recess each day starting tomorrow. Don’t forget your $3!

2013 SRC will be helping Stewart House

Junior Gala day – Dragon Tag

Stage Two (years 3 & 4) will have their first gala day for 2013 on the 5th April, this is the first Friday after the Easter long weekend. Please return them by Thursday this week so that teams and draws can be organised.

Mr Neich

Regional Soccer Carnival

Last Wednesday Nathan Harris and Aidan Moroney represented Southern Shoalhaven District at the regional soccer carnival. The boys played with great intensity in the first game but unfortunately lost 5-0, with Aidan suffering an ankle injury and unable to compete in the second game. The second game saw Nathan set up three goals for his team in their 3-3 draw. Congratulations to both boys on their efforts in representing our district with great Sussex Inlet pride and sportsmanship.

Mr Neich

Vincentia High School Experience

Vincentia Public Speaking Day

On Wednesday 20th March, Alyson and I went to Vincentia High School for a public speaking workshop. We had to do a 2 minute speech on any topic. The day was full of excitement and fun. We did lots of games about developing our public speaking and we learnt about how to do an impromptu speech. Our lunch was delicious and catered for by the year 12’s. Thank you Vincentia High for a great day.

Sophie D
Vincentia Art Day
On Tuesday 19th March there was an art day. Lilly, James, Erin and Dylan went to Vincentia High School. Students from other schools where there, it was a great day we did art all day and the lunches where yummy. Thank you to Vincentia High School for that day and thank you to the canteen for the lunches.

Jamie A

Triathlon Day
On Thursday 21st March, Hollie, Charlotte, Nathan and Charlotte went to Iluka Beach for a Triathlon. We did skills in the water. We also went for a bike ride and had help with road safety.

Last of all we learnt about different types of running. We all had fun and enjoyed meeting the students from other schools.

Charlotte T

Canteen Roster

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Volunteers are required from 10.30am until approximately 1.45pm. If you are unable to attend please call Chris Parth on 44412921.

P & C News

Meal Deal on Thursday
This Thursday the school will be having a sausage sizzle meal deal to coincide with the Easter hat parade. Prices are on the attached flyer and parents are also welcome to order, just make sure you get your orders in on your kid’s lunch orders first thing in the morning. There will be no other lunch orders taken on the day so make sure you pack lunch if you don’t intend having the sausage sizzle.

Uniform Store
Uniform store is open every Monday and Tuesday from 8.45am in G block. Alternatively you can pick up an order form from the office and return it with your money and your order will be filled ASAP.

Tracy Solari
Publicity Officer

Bookclub
Please return any bookclub orders by Wednesday 27th March.

OPPORTUNITY ‘C’ CLASS for 2014
(for academically gifted children)
Parents of gifted and talented children currently in Year 4 are invited to attend an INFORMATION EVENING
6.00pm, Tuesday 9 April 2013
at Illaroo Road Public School
A Year 5 Opportunity ‘C’ class will be formed in 2014 for gifted and talented students who are in Year 4 in 2013.
Phone Bob Lowe, Deputy Principal, on 4421 0422
for more information.

Stamp Club
Stamp Club will be meeting this Wednesday 27th March in the Tiered Learning Area at 1.20pm. The club is open to children in years 4 to 6 and new members are welcome, this is the last call for new members.

Community
Shoalhaven Football April Holiday Clinic (ages 6 – 13 boys & girls)
Venue – Basin Soccer Fields – Friday 19th, 9 am - 3 pm
Cost = $ 70.00
To register Contact Mark Johnston – mjonno1@bigpond.com.au or 0488034500