Regional Carnival
Good luck to the students from Sussex Inlet Public School who will be travelling to Dapto on Friday 6th March to compete in the South Coast Regional Swimming Carnival. We know you will give your best and be great ambassadors for our school.

Parent Information Meetings
Wednesday 4th March for the following classes.
3.10 - 3.30 - K/1M & 1H  3.30 - 3.50 - 2N
3.50 - 4.10 - 2/3Q  4.10 - 4.30 - 3D & 4R

ICAS University of NSW Competitions
Students at Sussex Inlet Public School will once again be offered the opportunity to participate in these external competitions. If you would like your child / children to participate please complete the form (or collect from the office) that was sent home last week and return to the office with payment by Friday 20th March, 2015.

ANZAC Day
This year we acknowledge the Centenary of ANZAC Day – 100 years since Australian and New Zealand troops landed on the coast of Gallipoli. Our school have been asked to march and our choir have once again been invited to perform at the community service on Saturday 25th March. It would be fantastic if we could get as many students as possible to represent our school in this year’s March and service.

St George Illawarra Dragons’ Visit
Our school recently had a visit from the St George Illawarra Dragons) and NRL Development staff to talk to our students about the importance of healthy lifestyles and wellbeing.
The Dragons players and staff shared key social messages with our pupils, focussing on healthy eating habits, nutrition, regular physical activity, appropriate levels of sleep and mental health. Our school is one of almost 100 schools The Dragons and NRL will see between 9th and 27th February, engaging with close to 30,000 students from Narooma in the south to Arncliffe in the north.
Students were attentive and responded well to the tricky questions. Congratulations to Mrs Croan’s team the ‘Scrum …” who won the team challenge.
Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) aims to encourage in students a love of reading for enjoyment, enrichment and to enable students to experience quality literature. The Challenge is open to all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 9.

Dates for your calendar:
  2 March  - Challenge opens
  21 August - Challenge closes for students

Variation to School Staff Development Day
Staff at Sussex Inlet Public School have identified the need to successfully and effectively integrate technology into our 21st century teaching pedagogy as a priority for 2015 - 2017. They have an opportunity to access professional learning as a whole school staff from a recognised provider and will undertake a Saturday training in lieu of one Staff Development Day at the end of Term 4. This will ensure consistency and collaborative learning, planning, programming, developing and implementing sequential, engaging and relevant learning units for students using technology.

Sports Award:

Jett Richardson & Malakai Halligan
Absent: Jye Crehan

Student Representative Council

Back Row: Chloe Harbrow, Riley Spencer, Tarah Sigsworth and Bree Firmstone
Front Row: Zac Horton, Hayden Firmstone, Amelia Keywood and Isabelle Harris

Class Awards
Positive Behaviour for Success PBS

* Play by the rules
* Sit when eating

Be FAIR in the PLAYGROUND

Julie Hickman

Stage 3 Students are ‘Talking Tactics’

Year 5 & 6 will continue the ‘Talking Tactics’ program on Thursday. ‘Talking Tactics Together’ is an interactive family drug education program. This program provides an opportunity for families to participate in a range of drug education activities. It encourages communication within families whilst having fun.

Year 5 & 6 parents don’t forget to send in your acceptance for the Talking Tactics evening session on Thursday 12th March, 6.00pm – 8.00pm.
Cost Nil, supper provided.

School Photos

Photo envelopes have been sent home today. Please return to the office by Wednesday 25th March, 2015. If you would like a family photo, captain, sport etc. envelopes can be collected from the office.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Sussex Inlet Public School has been registered and will participate in the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC). All students will have the opportunity to participate with the PRC aiming to encourage in students a love of reading and enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition, but a challenge to each student to read; to read more and to read a wide variety of texts. The Challenge opened yesterday the 2nd March and students are encouraged to start recording their books for this year ready for entry onto the PRC database. K-2 students need to experience a minimum of thirty (30) books with at least twenty five (25) of these being approved PRC books. Students in years 3-6 are required to read and record twenty (20) books in total with a minimum of fifteen (15) being from the PRC book lists.

It is a condition of entry that students entering and successfully completing the Challenge will receive a PRC certificate and appear on the PRC Honour Roll.

If any parent/carer objects to their child participating in the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge please advise the school as soon as possible.

Students who complete four (4) challenges receive a Gold Award and those who complete seven (7) challenges a Platinum Award.

SIPS have a large selection of PRC books in our Library and will encourage all students to participate. Students will be able to borrow at least one PRC book each time they visit the Library during class lessons. K-2 students will have some books read to them by their class teachers. Students in years 3-6 will be encouraged to complete the Challenge independently; however teachers and staff will always be available to help.

Thank you to all parents who encourage their children to read and hopefully, with your continued support, participation in the PRC will be a rewarding experience for all.

If any parent/carer would like to view the rules and conditions of entry for the Challenge, this can be accessed at –
Or if you require further information regarding the PRC please contact the school or go to the website.

Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body.
Joseph Addison

Permission Notes

All notes and money to be returned directly to the office when your child arrives at school please.

Student Emergency Contact Detail Report

Please return even if there are no changes. If your child has any medical changes please note underneath the doctors section on the form.

Medical Forms

Please complete and return medical form to the office as soon as possible. We are unable to use band aids etc. on your child if this note is not returned.

Asthma

Children with asthma need to return their asthma plan.

School Contribution

Thank you to those families who have paid already paid the annual Voluntary School Contribution. These funds are used to supplement educational resources and programs.

It is most important that the above forms are returned to the office as this information could be vital to your child in case of an emergency.
From the library

Thank you to everyone for the wonderful start to a new year in library. Every class has an hour of library time a week.

This term, primary classes are focusing on developing their research skills, including how to evaluate information. Infants classes are focusing on developing their personal responses to books and different types of literature.

Please ensure your child has returned their books each week and has brought a library bag to school. School library bags can be bought from the P&C uniform store for $10. Students can also use any cloth bag or strong shopping bag from home.

Unfortunately, students who do not return their library books will not be allowed to borrow until the books have been returned. I understand some children can become upset if they have accidentally lost or damaged a library book. Please send a note to school on your child’s library day if this occurs or feel free to contact me on the school’s telephone number Tuesday-Thursday.

Class library days

KH  - Thursday
K/1M - Thursday
1H  - Wednesday
2N  - Thursday
2/3Q - Wednesday
3D  - Wednesday
4R  - Wednesday
5C  - Tuesday
6K  - Tuesday

I look forward to another exciting year of reading, learning and creating with our fantastic SIPS students in the library.

Teacher Librarian
Mrs. Robyn Glasson

P & C News

Next meeting

The next meeting for the P&C will be the AGM. It will be on Monday the 16th March at 7pm in the staff room. As it is the AGM a new committee will be elected. So if you want to vote on this new committee and you are a financial member, come along.

There are some positions that we know will become vacant, due to people leaving the area, and we need people to fill these roles.

Secretary - the secretary usually takes down the minutes in the meeting, types them up and distributes them.
- runs the SIPS P&C email account.
- collects and collates incoming mail
- sends outgoing mail
- contacts community groups and businesses when fundraising

The following position is not a P&C executive position but is a very important part of the services that the P&C provides -

Uniform shop co-ordinator - previously our Vice President Nicole Horvat had taken on this role, and has done a brilliant job of streamlining and simplifying procedures.

Duties include - regular stocktakes and ordering stock when needed
- organising a roster of parents to man the shop (we have plenty of volunteers)
- banking collected funds regularly
- following up orders through the office

If you are interested in finding out more about these positions feel free to contact any of the exec or P&C email.

Look forward to seeing you all at the AGM,

Any agenda items for the next meeting.

As well as the AGM, a normal P&C meeting will be held on this night, if you have any items that you wish to be raised let us know by telling a committee member, putting it on paper and giving it to the office or by email at sipandc@gmail.com

Tracy Solari- Publicity Officer

Bookclub

Bookclub brochures will be going home today, please ensure that all orders are in by Friday 6th March.

Cheques should be made payable to ‘Sussex Inlet P & C Association’. Credit card transactions – you must phone Scholastic and pay with your credit card over the phone and they will give you a number which should be recorded on your child’s order form.

As always – make sure all money is securely sealed in an envelope marked with the student’s name and class.

Tracy Solari

Canteen Roster

Closed         Mondays & Tuesdays

Wednesday 04.03.15   Help req
Thursday     05.03.15   Help req
Friday        06.03.15   S. Safi

Wednesday 11.03.15   Help req
Thursday     12.03.15   Help req
Friday        13.03.15   L. Davidson

Please note price changes on 2015 menu.

Moove    -  Now $1.60
Quench  -    “         ”
Up n Go  -    “         ”

If one child is paying for another, please put the childs name and class on the order form, so we can chase it up if need be.

Thank you

Volunteers are required from 10am until approximately 1.30pm. If you are unable to attend please call Chris Parth on 44412921.