I have included a poem this week on adults and parents as role models. Remember, children are always learning from the adults around them:

\section*{WHEN YOU THOUGHT I WASN’T LOOKING:}
When you thought I wasn’t looking
You hung my first painting on the refrigerator
And I wanted to paint another.

When you thought I wasn’t looking
You fed a stray cat
And I thought it was good to be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn’t looking
You baked a birthday cake just for me
And I knew that little things were special things.

When you thought I wasn’t looking
You said a prayer
And I believed there was a God that I could always talk to.

When you thought I wasn’t looking
You kissed me good-night
And I felt loved.

When you thought I wasn’t looking
I saw tears come from your eyes
And I learned that sometimes things hurt""
But that it’s alright to cry.

When you thought I wasn’t looking
You smiled
And it made me want to look that pretty too.

When you thought I wasn’t looking
You cared
And I wanted to be everything I could be.

When you thought I wasn’t looking"
I looked . . .
And wanted to say thanks
For all those things you did
When you thought I wasn’t looking.

By Mary Rita Schilke Korzan

\section*{Dates to Remember}

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\textbf{Tuesday} & \textbf{March 8} & \textbf{Regional Swimming Carnival Dapto} \\
\textbf{Friday} & \textbf{March 11} & \textbf{11.30am K - 6 Assembly} \\
\textbf{Monday} & \textbf{March 21} & \textbf{Harmony Day 7.00pm P \& C AGM} \\
\textbf{Wed, Thurs \& Tue} & \textbf{March 23, 24 \& 29} & \textbf{Life Education} \\
\textbf{Thursday} & \textbf{March 24} & \textbf{Easter Hat Parade} \\
\textbf{Friday} & \textbf{March 25} & \textbf{GOOD FRIDAY} \\
\textbf{Monday} & \textbf{March 28} & \textbf{EASTER MONDAY} \\
\textbf{Wednesday} & \textbf{March 30} & \textbf{Cross Country/Fun Run} \\
\textbf{Friday} & \textbf{April 8} & \textbf{11.30am K - 6 Assembly 2C Item} \\
\textbf{Wednesday} & \textbf{May 25} & \textbf{School Photos} \\
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\section*{Star Fish Awards}
\textbf{Presented Wednesday 2\textsuperscript{nd} March, 2016}

\section*{Year 6 T-Shirts} – note home today please return by Friday March 18\textsuperscript{th}.

\section*{Expressions of Interest for High School} - please return forms by Monday 14\textsuperscript{th} March.

\section*{Life Education} – please return note and money asap.
Awards to be Presented at the School Assembly
Friday 11th March, 2016

Class Awards
KH - Sean Croker & Samantha Leaver
K/1M - Lakea Anderson & Liam Sloan
1/2N - Liliana Klimiuk & Faith Nevin
2C - Vanshika Daruvuri & Ella Tye
3/4D - Violet Keywood & Bella Lord
4R - Lachlan Jones & Olivia Crehan
5/6C - Kioni Corton & Bailey Sassall
5/6Q - Molly Gill & Bella Cook

Sports Award Deagan Booth, Jude Lenard, Ewan Greenwood & Jordan Ferguson

K-2 Assembly

The following students were recognised for their great work and attitudes:

KH: Jules Murray & Mason Regent
K/1M: Rory Kennedy & Courtney Reynolds
1/2N: Georgia Fletcher & Emma Keene
2C: Cody Nevin & Hailee Glover
2/3K: Liam Murphy

South Shoalhaven Legends Shield.
On Friday we will take 5 teams up to the South Shoalhaven Legends Shield at Sanctuary Point. This is a fun Gala Day, 7 a side Rugby League Competition and a Girls League Tag Competition. All players need to ensure that they have returned their permission note by Wednesday.
Mr Douglass

Clean Up Australia Day
On Friday 4th March 2016 Sussex Inlet Public School students took part in clean up day, and although it was difficult for all classes to fill an entire bag with rubbish in our already beautifully clean school, all students who participated were very excited to be doing their part for Clean-Up Australia Day. The SRC gave each class one biodegradable clean up bag to fill and many students brought a pair of gardening gloves from home and were able to share one with a friend, which was also great for the environment, as it reduced the amount of disposable gloves and plastic bags that had to be thrown out at the end of the clean-up.

Sporting News
SIPS Regional Swimmers – Best of luck to our Regional Swimming Team competing at Dapto Olympic Pool on Tuesday. Our team consists of Jasmine and Charlotte Greenwood, Hayden Firmstone, Mickala Logue, Emily McNeil, Isabelle Harris, Jai Klimiuk, Jye Crehan and Bailey, Jordan and Taj Sassall.
We are very proud of you all for making it to this level.

Shoalhaven High School
Information evening for parents and carers of students coming to Year 7 in 2017 on Wednesday 9th March, 2016 at 5.00pm – 6.00pm in the school library.

Zone Soccer Trials
Good luck to our students who are attending the Zone Soccer trials - Bree Firmstone, Kioni Corton, Emily Macdonell, Hayley White, Torah Solari and Jye Crehan. Miss Kemp & Mr Quinn.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)
This week’s targeted behaviour is:

* Be tolerant of others and their ideas
* Accept individual Differences
  Be INCLUSIVE in the CLASSROOM
Home Reading
On Friday 4th March, Mrs Nevin did the first collection of Home Reading data and was very pleased with the amount of children reading at home with their parents each night. The class or classes with the most recorded nights of Home Reading this fortnight will be announced in next week’s K-6 assembly. Please note that this program is designed to encourage nightly home reading across the school and it doesn’t matter if you read 4 books each night or 1 chapter each night, these will still be counted as 1 night of home reading. Thank you to all students across the school who have been participating in this program and to the parents and grandparents at home who have also been supporting this program.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Sussex Inlet Public School has been registered for the 2016 Premier’s Reading Challenge. Students who wish to participate in the Challenge are encouraged to complete their own online reading records as they read and enter any books on-line via their student portal. Students may enter their books at school or at home if access to a computer with the Internet is available. Parents can assist students to enter their records at home. A reading record is completed by either entering the PRC ID number of each book or clicking on titles from a drop-down PRC list. Many choice books can also be selected from a drop-down list. Assistance and a weekly check/update will be provided at school to any student who may be unsure, is having trouble entering books they have read or is in need of their reading record to be updated.
The Challenge opened today, 7th March 2016, however books read from 1st September 2015 can count towards the 2016 Challenge. To experience a book a child can listen to the book, participate in a shared reading of the book or read part or the entire book independently. Students who require special support may listen to unabridged audio versions of text. Children in K-2 can experience books in their home language and those who can read simple chapter books independently are encouraged to attempt the 3-4 Challenge. Stage 2 & 3 students can read choice books in their home language. Initiatives such as the Premier’s Reading Challenge not only encourage children to discover a love of reading but also help develop essential learning habits such as being organised, meeting deadlines and being accountable by taking responsibility for their reading. SIPS would love to see all families participate in this year’s Challenge to help promote a reading culture in every home and establish a goal for families, parents and caregivers to share books with their children every day and establish the benefits of reading as a life skill.

All information regarding the Challenge can be accessed at – http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge or contact the school.

“The more you read the more things you will know. The more that you learn the more places you’ll go.”

- Dr. Seuss, “I Can Read With My Eyes Shut”

P & C
Hot Cross Buns
Money and orders need to be returned by 11/3/16 and will be ready to collect on 24/3/16.

Uniform Shop is open every Thursday & Friday from 8.30am – 9.15am.

Heidi Goodwin - Publicity Officer

Canteen Roster

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Volunteers are required from 10am until approximately 1.30pm. If you are unable to attend please call Chris Parth on 4441 2921.

Clean Australia Day