Shoalhaven High School - Newsletter

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2019 Term 3 Week 8

COMING EVENTS

9-13 Sept - Year 10 Work Experience 12 Sept - R U Okay Day 13 Sept - HSC Biology Excursion 16-27 Sept - Preliminary Exams 16-18 Sept - Canoe Camp 17 Sept - Year 9 & 10 STEM Excursion 18 Sept - Free Pancake Breakfast 20 Sept - Year 7 Gala Day 20 Sept - Marine Studies Boating Practical Course 23 Sept - Year 12 EES Excursion 24 Sept - Year 11 Biology Field Study 24 Sept - Year 8 Rewards Excursion 25 Sept - Year 12 Formal 26 Sept - Year 12 Graduation Assembly 15-16 Oct - Year 11 Camp 17 Oct - HSC Exams Commence

DEPUTY PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

As we head towards the end of another term, it is important for parents and carers to be aware that all Year 11 students will have their yearly examinations in Weeks 9 and 10. Students have been issued with timetables and we have also put a copy onto our Shoalhaven High School Facebook page and the Skoolbag app, for easy access.

Students will not have to be at school when they do not have exams, but students who need to stay can access the senior study area and the library when it is available, to do private study. They need to read over the rules for the examinations at the top of their timetables, as any student who does not comply could be given 0. If students are away, please contact the office asap, so a message can be sent to Mrs Carson, the Year Adviser.

Thursday 12 September 2019

It is vital that documentation such as medical certificates are provided, so students can fill out a special circumstances appeal with the Deputy, complete exams under the arrangement of the Year Adviser, and be given marks. Students are also reminded that all N Awards must be resolved by the end of Week 9 to avoid N Determinations, which will affect their Preliminary Year credential.

On a more positive note, students in Year 11 completed applications for senior leadership positions and were interviewed by the school executive. We were really impressed by the quality of the candidature and know that our school will be well represented by these thoughtful and articulate young people as they progress into their HSC year.

We would like to remind all our students that wearing uniform is a mark of respect for the school and a safety issue - a number of junior students are wearing out of uniform clothing which is not acceptable. We will be revisiting uniform discipline next term, so students will need to comply with expectations about uniform.



Term 3 has been a busy term as Year 12 students come to the end of their school career. Society and Culture PIPs have been completed and Major Projects in Industrial Technology (Timber and Multimedia) and Visual Arts have been submitted. HSC markers have attended the school to mark these fabulous projects. HSC Exams have already started with Music students sitting their practical exam in Week 9.



On Wednesday in Week 9, students will meet the HSC Presiding Officers in their tutorial time to ensure all students understand the HSC exam procedures and have a clear understanding of what will go on during the exam period.

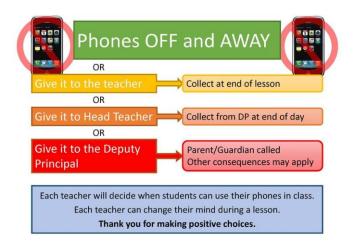


Staff and students are looking forward to the Year 12 Formal on Wednesday 25 September followed by the Year 12 Graduation Assembly on Thursday 26 September commencing at 9:30 am. Both events will be a wonderful celebration of our Year 12 graduates.

Keep an eye on social media for reminders regarding Year 12 events including the planned holiday tutoring session and the Year 12 Results BBQ in December.

PHONES OFF AND AWAY

Shoalhaven High School has updated its rules for student use of mobile phones. Students have been given several weeks of advance notice by the Relieving Principal Mr Rees and staff, so compliance is expected from students.



This information ties in with the school's 'Bring Your Own Technology' policy and its focus on negative and positive choices for mobile use.

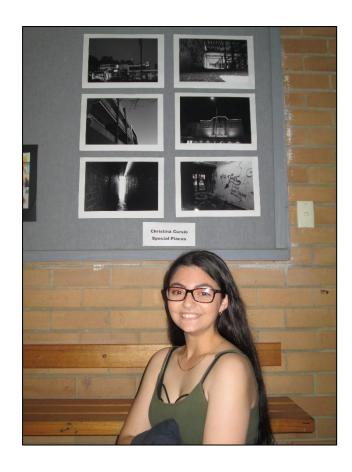
Posters have been placed around the school to remind students about 'Phones Off and Away'.

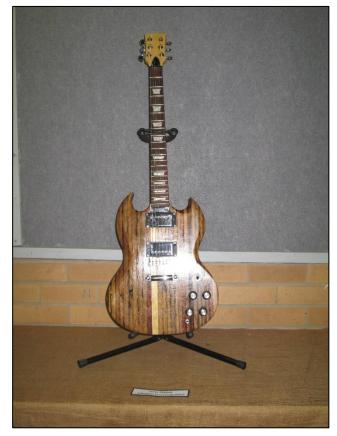
HSC SHOWCASE

Last Thursday, our talented Visual Arts, Photography, Music, Industrial Technology - Wood and Multimedia students put on an amazing display of HSC works. A wonderful night was shared with family and friends.

















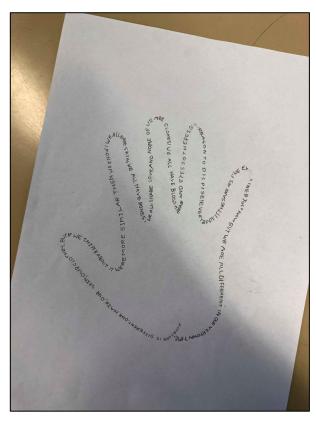




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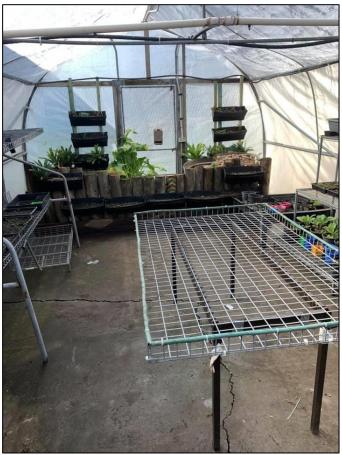
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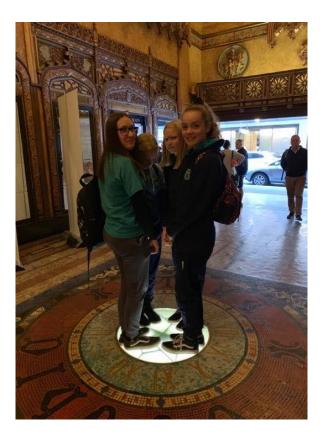






THREE WEEKS IN SPRING EXCURSION









YEAR 12 PHYSICS EXCURSION

Last Thursday 3 Year 12 students from Shoalhaven High School travelled with students from Ulladulla High School to ANSTO (Australia's Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation) in Sydney. The students are completing their last HSC module in Physics 'From the Universe to the Atom' where they learn about how energy of the atomic nucleus be harnessed. At ANSTO, uranium is used to produce neutrons in their research reactor. The neutrons are used for a range of applications, the main one is to produce medical radioisotopes for diagnosis and treatments but others include industrial usage such as doping semiconductors, testing material structure and strength, observing fossils in rocks and finally PhD researchers can use the many instruments for free to support their research. Thank you for all the students for their participation and great Q&A sessions. Mr C. Hunter and Dr. Kneeshaw





BOATSMART



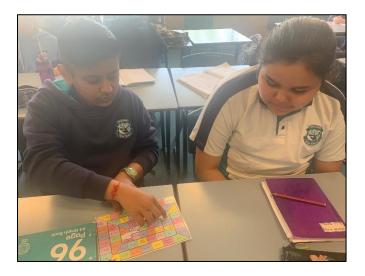




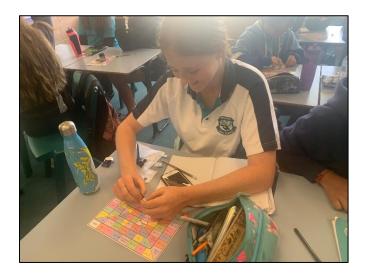
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7MAT-K MATHS

7MAT-K students learning Algebra through board games.







DISCOVERY GARDEN

If you shop at Woolworths we would love your "Discovery Garden." seed pots if you're not go to use them. Please donate at front office!! Thank you from the Support Unit.

A big thank you to Woolworths for their kind donation of Garden produce. The Support Unit thanks you.





YEAR 12 HUSKISSON EXCURSION

Year 12 at Huskisson participating in a mindfulness day.











YEAR 6-7 GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL VISIT

Mr G & Mr Flugler rocked out with 5/6W this afternoon at Greenwell Point Public School. Both students and teachers had an amazing time. Unfortunately, Mr Flugler, due to his bad rhythm, got sacked from the tambourine.



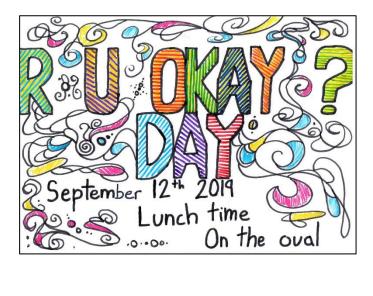








R U OK DAY



YEAR 6-7 GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL VISIT

5/6W experience clay Mr Morrissey and Mr Flugler with Miss Weekes from Greenwell Point Public School.

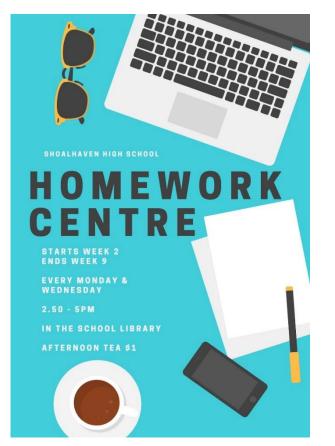








HOMEWORK CENTRE



BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is on before school each Thursday and Friday at the uniform shop. Anybody can come and it is run by staff volunteers.

Fruit is also available from Lisa in the Admin/Welfare Office at the bottom of A block.



2019 HSC TIMETABLE

The timetable for this year's written HSC exams is now available.



2019 HSC Timetable





SPORT NEWS

YEAR 7 GALA DAY

When: Friday 20th September

Time: 9.00am to 230pm

What is its: students pick a sport they want to play and compete against other schools in the Shoalhaven area in a non-competitive gala day.

Where: depends on the sport chosen

Basketball - Bomaderry Basketball Stadium Netball - Shoalhaven Netball Courts Soccer - South Nowra Soccer Fields Touch football - Bomaderry Sporting Complex Volleyball - Nowra High School

Transport: walking or bus pending what sport is chosen (see permission note for more info)

Cost: varies from nil to \$8.00 (see permission not for more details)

What to wear and bring: full sports uniform is required and students will need to bring either food and drink or money for the canteen. (please note soccer and volleyball do not have canteens at their venue.



Jasmine Greenwood

The World Para Swimming Championships are over.

Jasmine Greenwood swam brilliantly, gaining a lane entry in the final swim for every one of her events. A bronze medal in the 100 metre butterfly S10, is a wonderful achievement for Jasmine, but for us watching at home every race was a highlight, every start was brilliant and every finish remarkably close.

Go to the World Para Swimming Championships results website to watch the highlights. Several of Jasmine's swims have been posted.

https://www.paralympic.org/london-2019/highlights

Read the South Coast Register's article by clicking the link below

South Coast Register article



Athletics

In week 2 SHS had 7 students representing the school in various events at this year South Coast Athletics Championships. All students did a great job with many recording PB distances and times in their events. Congratulations to Alexis C and Cale G for placing in their events. They both qualified for the CHS carnival at Homebush that occurred last week. Alexis qualified in two events the 1500m and the steeplechase but due to illness was only able to compete in the 1500m finishing 7th in a extremely competitive field. Well done Lexi! Cale qualified in the high jump and triple jump but was unable to compete on the day.

South Coast Team list : Alexi C, Toby N, Hannah W, Tyson B, Corey P, Torah S and Lilli S,

Cross Country

Congratulations to Annabella Pinkard and Alexi Charalambous for their efforts at NSW all schools Cross country. Both girls competed at this championship earlier on in the term at Eastern Creek and did an amazing job. Out of over 100 competitors in both events Annabella ran in the 14yrs 4km event and came 60th and Alexis ran in the 15yrs 4km event and came 12th. These are fantastic performances and SHS is very proud of their achievements.



Girls Rugby League

Congratulations to the all the girls in the U16s Rugby League team that competed at the Sam Bremner girls tackle day on the 20th of August. After showing the commitment to train during sport all term with the NRI development staff, a big team effort was expected and they didn't disappoint. Although they lost their opening two games narrowly to Corpus Christie and Warilla High, they competed hard and scored a couple of tries through some tough ball running. In the last game improvement in defence and some sweeping backline plays lead to a powerful performance and a victorious scoreline, beating Lake Illawarra High convincingly 20-6. Well done girls!!

Team Consisted of: Charlee M, Shaleigh S, Nataia C, Talyah C, Makyla F, Hayley G, Taylah H, Kasey L, Madeline M, Bella S, Grace S, Charlotte W.



CAREERS

Coming Up:

WHS Construction (white card): \$80 Thursday 15th November

Rural Fire Training for Year 10: - no cost Monday to Friday 19th to 223rd November First Aid - Year 10 and 12: \$65 Monday and

Tuesday 10 and 11 December

Please see the Careers Hub for further information about any of these programs.

<u>Year 9 Work Experience</u> 3rd to 7th December All Year 9 students are encouraged to participate in work experience during Week 8 of Term 4. All students will be receiving their Work Experience package in Week 2 or 3 next term.

The work experience document should be returned to the Careers Hub by Friday 18th November. Students not participating in the program will be in a class at school.

Please contact Sue Rosskelly or Ev O'Neile at our Careers Hub if there are any questions or issues relating to work experience.

Year 10 Work Experience

66 Year 10 students participated in work experience this term.

They have explored work in animal care, childcare, aged care, retail and manufacturing.

They have assisted in trades with electricians, plumbers, builders, excavators and concreters.

<u>Year 12</u>

Time to get applications TICKED OFF YOUR "TO DO LIST"

Please check your school email for updates on work, university and other training opportunities for 2019

UAC University Application Centre

- Online form open now to 29th Sept (\$70) Please let us know if you do not have access to a credit card and Paypal or funds.

SRS School Recommendation Scheme– Early entry for many universities (not UOW)Open 1st August to close 28th September

UOW Early Entry

- Online application closes 24th August

EAS Equity Access Scheme Application for course consideration if you experienced difficulties during school years (See Mrs Jennings)

ES Equity Scholarship

Financial assistance if you have experienced difficulties during school years

Scholarships for most universities -check this site for numerous scholarships for all students at each university and apply. https://cef.org.au/scholarships-guide/

Many scholarships do not have an applicant and it is not always the smartest students who get scholarships. HAVE A GO.

Shoalhaven Education Fund Scholarships Shoalhaven Education Fund provides financial assistance up to \$3000 for young people requiring assistance to go to work, TAFE or university. If you require financial assistance, a smart move would be to make an application. It is not too difficult. Applications on line

http://engage.cef.org.au/directory/foundation/32/shoa Ihaven

The 2018 National Adolescent Vaccination Program

NSW Health will be at school for the next visit for the vaccination program for Year 7 on Thursday 25th October. Some Year 8 students who did not complete the program in 2018 can complete their vaccination schedule.

Year 7 students who missed a vaccination in 2019 will be able to complete the program in 2020

Year 10 and 11 who have not received meningococcal vaccination earlier this year can receive a free vaccination at school on 25th October.

<u>Jobs</u>

Pool attendant– Shoalhaven City Council Solar Panel labourer Spend Less Shoes - Nowra Apprenticeships Business Administration Electronic and Communication – Shoalhaven City Council Chef – Bomaderry Bowling Club Wall and Floor Tiler - Nowra Roof Plumber - Nowra Early Childhood - Echidna Childcare Centre

<u>School Based Traineeships</u> (Opportunity for a Year 10 student) Hungry Jacks Reece Plumbing –Nowra KMART – Nowra (Indigenous student) NAB - Nowra (Indigenous student)

<u>Looking For A Job?</u> Useful sites if you are seeking employment -casual, part time or permanent ADZUNA and SEEK Register for a job alert for casual, part time or permanent jobs.



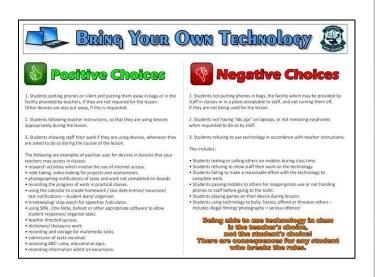




BRING YOUR OWN TECHNOLOGY (BYOT)

Please have a read of the BYOT Policy/Guidelines on our website (Under Our school then BYOT) or click on the link below, for the expectations on how technology and mobile phones are used at our school, and the consequences for misuse of the technology.

BYOT Policy





UNIFORM POLICY

The Shoalhaven High School Uniform Policy is found on our School website under 'Our School' or click on the link

2018 Uniform Policy

ANTI-BULLYING PLAN

The Shoalhaven High School Anti-bullying Plan is found on our School website under 'Our School' or click on the link

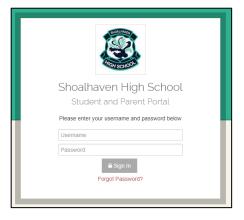
Anti-bullying Plan



STUDENT TIMETABLES

Students now have access to view their timetable for 2018 online via the Student/Parent Sentral Portal.

To access, please visit <u>https://web2.shoalhaven-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal/login</u> then log in with your DoE username and password.





Public Schools NSW

Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities? What if my child has to be away from

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time

- ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- gives students time to greet their friends before class
- reduces classroom disruption.

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance e.g. attending a funeral.

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An Application for Extended Leave may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.



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LEARNING AND ENGAGEMENT



My child won't go to school. What should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

Application to the Children's Court
 Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department may apply to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*.

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The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

• Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The Department of Education recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

LEARNING AND ENGAGEMENT

If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites

Policy, information and brochures

http://www.schools.nsw.edu. au/studentsupport/programs/ attendance.php

The school leaving age

http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ leavingschool/index.php

For further advice contact

Educational services

T 131 536

Learning and Engagement

Student Engagement and Interagency Partnerships –

T 9244 5356

www.dec.nsw.gov.au

Do you need an interpreter?

If you need help with English and would like further information please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on **131 450** and ask for an interpreter in your language. The operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

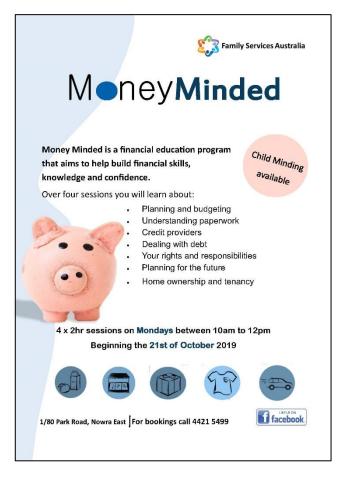
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COMMUNITY NEWS









SHOALHAVEN DISTRICT TENNIS

PRO-AM FEATURING SAM GROTH (Worlds fastest server)

Friday 20th September from 6pm

Narang Road, Bomaderry (behind ten pin bowling centre)

Kids Activities, Food and Drinks available, Free Social Tennis

Photo and Autograph opportunities with Sam for all players.

SHOALHAVEN DISTRICT TENNIS SUMMER JUNIOR COMPETITION

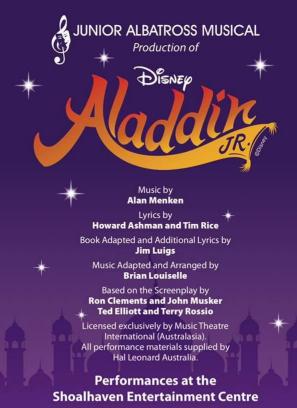
Starts Friday 18th October 2019

Finishes end of Term 1 2020

If you are interested in playing please contact Mark Pritchard 0427 961 101 or Vicki Pritchard 0412 134 840







5th October 2019 at 1:30 pm and 6:00 pm

Tickets on sale at www.shoalhavenentertainment.com.au





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	We would like to welcome swimmers of all ages and abilities to come along and join Bonaderry Swim Club.	
introduction to c	eld in a fun and informal environment and are an ideal ompetition for swimmers, as well as an opportunity for heir families to meet and socialise with other members.	
Location:	Bomaderry Aquatic Centre 127 Cambewarra Road Bomaderry	
When:	Friday nights October – March	
Registration:	брт	
Warm-Ups: 6.	15-6.30pm	
Events Commence:	6.30pm	
Distances:	16m – 400m	
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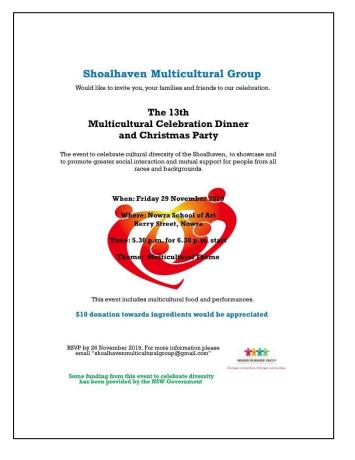
Nowra Athletics Club

Nowra Athletics Club Track and field competition will commence on Wednesday 18.09.19 at Shoalhaven High School at 6pm. This will be a rego evening as will the following week on 25.09.19.

Both these nights will also include a training / instruction component where people can come along and learn some throwing, jumping and running techniques. Competition rounds will kick off in October. Each Wednesday night a variety of events is offered including sprints, middle distance track runs, and long distance track events; and in the field, high jump, long jump, triple jump, javelin, discus, and shot put.

Everyone is welcome - all ages, sizes, abilities and experience. Come along and check it out.

For more information, see Nowra Athletics Club website or facebook page.



Shoalhaven High School will, as a service to parents, advertise community news which may be of interest. SHS does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility to the management or organisation.