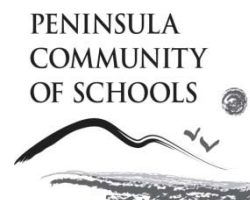




NEWPORT NATTER



NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday 13th June, 2012

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Stranger Danger

Last week one of our students was approached by a stranger on his way home from school. The boy, remembering his lessons about Stranger Danger, refused and immediately went home reporting the incident to his parents. The police were contacted and have since investigated the incident. As a result, teachers at school have reinforced our messages about what to do if approached by a stranger. I would ask parents to also discuss these with their children. The police provided the following advice to all schools in our area last week.

The police encourage parents to reinforce the 'Safe People, Safe Places' messages with their children, including:

- Walk near busier roads and streets, or use paths where there are lots of other people;
- Make sure your parents or another adult you know knows where you are at all times;
- Always walk straight home or to the place you are walking to;
- Know where safe places are – a shop, service station, police station, library or school. If you are ever frightened, you should go to one of these places and ask them to call the police;
- Learn about safe adults you can look for and talk to if you need help – police officers, teachers at school, adults you know and trust;
- Don't talk to people you don't know and never get into a car with someone you don't know. If a car stops on the side of the road and you don't know the person inside, do not stop; and
- If you are scared, call Triple Zero (000) and tell them you are scared.

Debating at Newport

The second round of the Premier's Debating Challenge took place at Narrabeen North Public School last week. The topic for the debate was "TV news is unsuitable for Primary Students." Newport School were the negative team and had to argue that TV news was suitable. After a very entertaining debate Narrabeen North were awarded the points for this debate. All the students in the Newport Team are to be commended on the improvement in their debating skills and having the ability to prepare strong arguments in only one hour. We are looking forward to the final two rounds which will take place early in Term 3.

The Year 5 Debating Team has received their draw for the friendly debates and will have their first debate against Mona Vale PS in Week 9 of this term at Newport School. They are looking forward to putting into practice all the skills they have been learning at lunch time with Mrs Clements.

Well Done Pippa Pryor

Last Sunday Pippa performed as a member of ChorusOz at the Sydney Opera House. ChorusOz is a collaboration between the Arts Unit of the Education Department and the Sydney Philharmonia Choirs, providing our students with a wonderful opportunity to perform with professional soloists, a professional orchestra and to sing in our wonderful Opera House. They performed highlights from 'Carmen'. Congratulations Pippa, we are very proud of your achievement.

Newport Snowsports

Newport Snowsports Team had a ball on the ice at Macquarie Ice Rink yesterday, as part of their training for the Interschools competition. Mr Tickle and Mr Moran took a big team of Newport and Bilgola Plateau students to enjoy a skate. The children had a ball, despite a few falls. Many thanks to all the parents who helped to transport the students.

School Health

We currently have a number of sick children, with a particularly bad strain of cold. I would ask parents to keep their child at home if they are sick. The spread of sickness throughout a school can also affect staff as well as other students.

Canteen Supervisor

With the retirement of Jenny Schwecke from our canteen, we now must fill this position. An advertisement for the position of Canteen Supervisor is in the Canteen section of this week's Natter.

Good Luck to our String Orchestra and Performance Band

Next Tuesday our String Orchestra, and next Thursday our Performance Band, will be performing in the Yamaha Music Festival at UTS. Both groups showcase our talented Newport musicians and I know they will be outstanding representatives for our school. Good luck girls and boys.

School Planning

Over the last week of school, our staff participated in planning sessions for the coming term. During this time teachers collaboratively plan the teaching and learning program for the coming term. This ensures that there is a consistent learning program across every grade. Staff will be released some time during the last week of term, to meet together for this purpose.

Term 3 dates

Staff return – Monday 16th July, School Development Day
Students return – Tuesday 17th July
Last day of term – Friday 21st September

Regards,
Margaret Charlton

Dear Parents,

This week we have featured in the Natter, more information from the report, School Procedures and Practices for Responding to Students Who Bully (2008). The excerpt outlines some of the lessons learnt by the group who compiled the report which included academics, school counsellors, Principals and teachers.

Please read on...

Natalie Baldi

WHOOPING COUGH

A few students who attend Newport Public School have been diagnosed with Whooping Cough (pertussis). The illness is usually characterised by a feeling of being generally unwell with an accompanying deep harsh cough that tends to occur in bouts. The cough may be severe enough to cause the affected person to vomit after a bout of coughing. Whooping Cough can cause a severe illness in young children particularly in children under the age of 1 year. Whooping Cough is usually spread by direct contact with the droplets from the nose and throat of an infected person during coughing. People at greatest risk of getting the illness are those who have had a considerable amount of face-to-face contact with a person with the disease. Whooping Cough can occur in people previously vaccinated. We suggest that should any person develop some or all of the above symptoms that they consult their local doctor and mention that there has been a case of Whooping Cough in the school.

A Fact Sheet on Pertussis is available on the NSW Health Website at
<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/factsheets/infectious/pertussis.html>

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 14th June UNSW Writing Competition
Friday 29th June **LAST DAY OF TERM 2**

Term 3

Monday 16th July	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Tuesday 17th July	STUDENTS RETURN FOR TERM 3
Wednesday 25 th July	OC Placement Test for Year 5 2013
Tuesday 31 st July	UNSW English Competition
Wednesday 1 st August	Education Week Open Day / Grandparents Day4
Friday 3 rd August	9.30-11.00am Garden Club
Friday 21st September	LAST DAY OF TERM 3

CHOOK LOTTO WINNERS

4KC Charlie Moore **4IW** Tess Paterson **3GB** Tom Watson **5PA** Maille Nebauer

CANTEEN MANAGER POSITION

JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Newport Public School P&C Association requires an efficient, enthusiastic Canteen Manager to work in our school canteen. The canteen is a venture of the P&C Association and as such, is accountable to the P&C through the Canteen Sub-Committee. The working hours are 7am-2.30pm Tuesday to Friday and our Canteen Manager is employed on a casual basis. Extra hours will include "Special Events", such as our school working bee, and will be negotiated in the employment contract. Salary is in accordance with the Canteen Employees / Shop Employees (State) Award.

To be considered you must meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrate an understanding of healthy eating.
- Demonstrate the ability to prepare, cook and promote healthy foods.
- Demonstrate an ability to work as a team member as well as supervise others.
- Demonstrate time management skills and the ability to control day-to-day operations of a school canteen.
- Committed to liaising with the P&C via the Canteen Sub-Committee.
- Have an understanding of working in a school environment.
- Have experience with volunteers and parent groups.
- Have knowledge of basic financial management systems.
- Have knowledge of the Fresh Tastes @ School NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy.
- Have experience and / or qualifications in food preparation, food safety and handling.
- Have an understanding of OH&S principles.
- Have an interest in food preparation, nutrition and children.
- Demonstrate computer literacy using Office applications and internet.

It is a requirement of employment that a Prohibited Employment Declaration and Consent to Employment be signed. *Screening checks will be completed.*

If you meet the above mentioned criteria, are passionate about healthy nutrition and children and are keen to becoming actively involved within our school community, please email your resume (including two referees) to the Attention of Ms Margaret Charlton (newport-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) by 14th June 2012.

VOLUNTEERS DESPERATELY NEEDED FOR 2012

We need three volunteers a day in order to successfully run the canteen. Please consider helping, lunch, tea, coffee and lots of gossip are provided. Remember your children love to see you at the canteen. **Please come in or ring Jenny or Tammy on 9979 6504.**

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 18th June	B. Kennedy, J. Rodgers
Tuesday 19th June	F. Griffith, C. Nielson 'NEED HELP'
Wednesday 20th June	J. Neill, J. Zontsich, M. Ramsay, K. McMahon
Thursday 21st June	A. Graham, S. Carter, 'NEED HELP'
Friday 22nd June	K. Paul, C. Vidler 'NEED HELP'

If you are unable to come to the canteen for your rostered day, please ring 9979 6504.

CANTEEN NEWS

As mentioned in last week's Natter, we are sad to be farewelling our Canteen Manager, Jenny Schwecke. Please see the invitation in this week's Natter for all volunteers past and present to her farewell morning tea.

Online ordering will be launched in Term 3 with registration details and information in next week's Natter!



PAST AND PRESENT CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS!

Please join us for a Farewell
Morning Tea for Jenny Schwecke

Wednesday June 27th
11.30 am

Newport Public School Hall

Please RSVP to Shani Law
shanilaw@hotmail.com or
0400654253 for catering

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

KDF	Tess Gardiner, Harry Gordon	3GB	Lewis van Roon, Emma Zontsich
KEE	Thor Skene, Zahara Spring	3LS	Lulubelle Ryberg Neale, Jett Jones
KGS	Toby Anstey, Fernando Gonzalo	3RN	Esme Sergi, Hugo Lowe
KJP	Corey Brown, Elsa Hudson	4IW	Zac van Dam, Dominic Walsh
KSO	Will Phelan, India Pratt	4KC	Eladie Jones, Joseph Boffa
1AJ	Tom Tullett, Chilli Wilson	4LC	Ella Thomas, Mike Hogan
1EJ	Lara Hanks, Harry Riddle	4MW	James Caton, Mitchell Steer
1JG	Brody Reeves, Charlie Arnott	5LH	Jasmin Crichton, Zane Tullett
1SN	Lucy Brown, Nathan Holowaty	5PA	Joshua van Roon, Maille Nebauer
1/2KH	Polly Phelps, Ruby Cumming	5SC	Isabelle Harrison, Zach Zontsich
2BG	Ryan Fitzgerald, Mia McDonald	5/6AH	Lily Rowe, Lachlan Cox
2JF	Jayke Jecks, Emily Gudmunson	6GM	Natasha Bryant, Jaira Lawrence
2JJ	Sophia Wood, Tully Heather	6KK	Joshua Henderson, Michela Bates
2TD	Riley Lyon, Taj Harker	6LL	Lucia Meyerratken, Max Lush,
3DD	Ethan Currie, Natasha Pierce		Will Sides, Molly Donohoe

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS – IMPORTANT! – CHANGE OF OPENING TIMES

Due to work commitments, we will no longer be opening on Wednesday mornings. Instead we will be open on Monday mornings from 9-10am.

Need a new school bag? Our school bag supplier is running a promotion offering a 'Lifetime Warranty' on bags ordered before 15th June. If you are interested, pay for your bag at the Uniform shop or by dropping a form and payment into the office before 15th June to qualify. **All bags ordered under this promotion will be distributed in October.** 2013 Kindergarten children will automatically qualify when bags are purchased before the end of 2012. *(Lifetime Warranty covers defects in material and/or workmanship under normal use. It does not cover damage due to misuse, improper handling or accidents)*

Alice Hair Bands and Hair Bows in the Winter Uniform material are now in stock. Price is \$10 each / pr.

Please feel free to drop any donations of second-hand uniforms to the uniform shop during our opening hours or if this is not suitable, the school office accepts them on our behalf.

Are you able to spare one hour of your time every second or third week? We are looking for help every second or third Monday morning 9-10am and Tuesday afternoon 3-4pm. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated. Please call Kate or Carla or drop by during one of our opening times.

The Uniform Shop is open every **Monday 9-10am and Tuesday 3-4pm**. For enquiries, please contact newportuniformshop@hotmail.com or Carla Pettitt 0413 804 015 & Kate Raffles 0413 519 872.

YOUNG WRITERS' AWARD

Congratulations to our Young Writer, Niam Melville of 4IW.

The Apollo 11

The Apollo 11 was the most important space mission ever because it was the first to carry men to the moon.

There were three astronauts on this mission. Neil Armstrong was the mission commander and the person who walked the moon first. Edward (Buzz) Aldrin was the pilot of the lunar landing module and the second person to walk the moon. Michael Collins the pilot of the command module that orbited the moon.

On the 16th July 1969 one of the biggest events of the year took place, the launch of the Saturn V. It was launched from Cape Kennedy in Florida. This was the most important trip to the moon N.A.S.A had organized.

On the 20th July 1969 virtually everyone in the world tuned in to watch the moon landing. Michael Collins was in the command module orbiting the moon while Buzz and Neil landed successfully on the moon on the Sea of Tranquility. Neil hopped out of his squishy landing module and stabbed the U.S flag in the dusty surface of the moon. Buzz jumped on the moon after Armstrong. The astronauts spent 4 hours collecting moon rocks for the scientists to analyse. Buzz and Neil returned to the space capsule. The astronauts then started to return to Earth. They were fine until about 3 days later when the atmosphere came. The space capsule needed to get exactly the right angle before entering the atmosphere. If it came in too deeply they would burn up, too shallow and they would bounce off the atmosphere into the endless boundaries of space. They got the right angle but they caught re-entry. Luckily they were protected by the heat shield on the bottom of the capsule.

The space capsule splashed down in the Pacific Ocean. The astronauts were picked up by a helicopter and taken to a caravan to get washed and checked for deadly bacteria.

Apollo 11 will be remembered as one of the most important things that man has ever done.

By Niam Melville 4IW

FOOTPATH LIBRARY

Karen Ambler, a Year 6 mum, is collecting books for the Benjamin Andrew Footpath Library. These books are distributed to homeless people and shelters. Currently, the Library is low on books for children aged 0 -10 years and Karen is asking for donations of suitable books. Please leave them in the office and Karen will pick them up and deliver them to the Library. Please don't bring toys, encyclopaedias or puzzles. Thank you for your thoughtful donation.

HAY WANTED!

Yes, you read correctly.....the Environmental Management Team needs some hay for our new compost bin. If you have a bucketful or bale you could donate to us, please contact Nicola Elliott on 9999 4100. Thanks!

MUSIC NEWS

Upcoming events for June

Wednesday 13 th June	Band Committee Meeting at 7.30pm in staff room, everybody welcome.
Saturday 16 th June	Cake Stall Fundraiser at Newport Artisan Market. Please see details below.
Monday 18 th June	Combined Strings Concert at Pittwater High School at 7.00pm including Newport Strings Orchestra , PHS Strings Orchestra, PHS Symphony Orchestra and Manly Strings Orchestra.
Tuesday 19 th June	Strings Orchestra to perform at Yamaha Music Festival at 10.15am. Bus departing school at 8.15am. Be at school no later than 8.00am.
Thursday 21 st June	Performance Band to perform at Yamaha Music Festival at 11.30am. Bus departing school at 9.30am.
Sunday 24 th June	All three bands will be playing at the Sydney Northern Beaches Symphonic Band Ensemble's School Music Festival at Pittwater High. Your Band Manager will give you more information including times.
Wednesday 27 th June	Performance Band playing at NNSWE Community Concert at Forest High School. Time to be confirmed.

Cake Stall Fundraiser

This Saturday, 16th June we are holding a Newport Public School Music Program Cake Stall fundraiser at the Newport Artisan Market. Set up is at 8am. Please bake as many cakes, slices, cookies etc. as you can so we can raise funds for our young musicians. I know everyone is busy on Saturdays with sport so it is not ideal, but just an hour to help out in the morning would be great, or simply just drop off a cake on Friday afternoon to Melinda Hall, 0424 797 849, or drop the cake to our stall on Saturday morning. Buskers will be welcome, so if any young musicians would like to practice, we'd love them to play.

SNOWSPORTS NEWS

A reminder to all skiers and boarders to pay your \$5 deposit for the Winter Solstice Celebration being held on Wednesday 20th June. Matt Trapnell of 'Trapazoid' will be entertaining us on the evening. It should be loads of fun.

CHESS NEWS

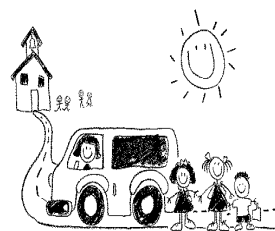
Another fantastic result for the chess teams in last Friday's round 6 match of the NSW Junior Chess League's After School Tournament. Newport A scored a 4 to 0 win over Mona Vale A and Newport B Juniors had a 4 to 0 win against Wheeler Heights D Juniors.

This Friday Newport A has a home game against Curl Curl North A and Newport B has an away match against Mona Vale C.

The Scots College Preparatory School Chess Challenge is being held on Friday 22nd June. This year Newport will send one senior and one girls team. Players permission notes should be returned to Mr Tickle as soon as possible.

KINDERGARTEN IN 2013

Is your child starting Kindergarten in 2013? It may seem early, but planning has already begun for next year's Kinder classes. If you haven't already done so, you will need to lodge an enrolment form at the office as soon as possible. Should you require an enrolment form, kindly complete the tear-off slip below and return it to the office. A form will be sent home with your child.



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KINDERGARTEN IN 2013

Please send home an enrolment form with my child, _____ of class _____. I will return the completed form to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Parent's name: _____ Date: _____
(please print)

Enrolling child's full name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Our Orientation Program will be operating on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9.30 – 11am commencing 15th October.

My preferred mornings are 1st _____, 2nd _____, or 3rd _____.

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Design a Plate



We have some very creative children and the artworks handed in so far are fantastic!!

Please remember to put your child's name and class on the artwork template and ensure your money is handed in with the template.

Once your child's design is complete (on the template provided) please re-roll the template and send it back to school via the office with your payment of \$25.50. **Please ensure your child's name and class is clearly written on the template and the envelope containing the money.**

All templates and payments must be returned by 20th June.

Thank you for supporting this school fundraiser.

Anissa & Meg
Fundraising Co-ordinators



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Name: _____

Child's Name: _____ Child's Class: _____

Email Address: _____

Summary of Some of the Things We Have Learned about Responding to Students who Bully

...it is good to tackle the problem of bullying by ensuring that the values of caring and respecting everyone in the school community are taken seriously

...no one response will put an end to bullying but having a variety of responses to "call on" increases the chances

...sanctions and negative consequences work for some students and not other students

...coming down "hard" on students who bully does not work in many cases

...some students who bully need time to reflect on their actions in a supportive relationship

...all students who bully need dedicated discussion time to increase their awareness of what bullying is, its effects on others, to say what they can do to make better choices and how they can make the situation better

...restorative meetings (classroom, individual, small groups of students) where students who bully become more aware of the impact of their actions and are given an opportunity to offer solutions to improve the situation helps many students to stop bullying

...students at all levels of social and emotional wellbeing bully other students

...students who bully have different social and emotional characteristics and needs

...approximately 50% of students who bully have positive self-esteem and 50% do not have positive self-esteem; many students who bully under-achieve and need help in learning to be confident, persistent, organised and to work cooperatively; some students who bully are achieving to their potential and do not need help in managing their own learning

...just about all students who bully –especially those at higher levels of social and emotional wellbeing- can profit from restorative meetings as well as counselling that develop their empathy, impulse control, anger management, concern for others and responsibility for making the situation for the "target" better

...some students with low levels of social and emotional wellbeing do not respond to sanctions or restorative approaches and require comprehensive, strength-building intervention programs that develop their connectedness to positive adults, peers and programs in their school, home and community as well as strengthen their social and emotional competence

..."demonising" bullies makes it virtually impossible for adults to help students who bully

...it is good to have a consistent way to record incidents of bullying

...there are different levels of response to students who bully: (1) teachers equipped with a range of communication and intervention practices that can work to stop students from bullying; (2) student welfare coordinators (i.e., counsellors, wellbeing coordinators, year level coordinators, principals) who are referred students who bully and who employ more intensive interventions such as restorative meetings, behaviour contracts, mentoring in social-emotional skills, parent intervention as well as individual behaviour plans; (3) mental health professionals who provide more intensive individual and family therapy.