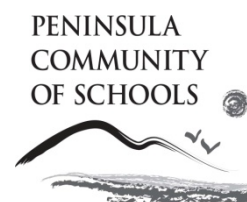




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NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday 13th November 2013

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It seems that one trend was broken this week, and another maintained. For the past few years, inevitably it has rained when Punchbowl came to visit Newport, but the spell was broken last Thursday when sunshine beamed down upon us and our visitors were even lucky enough to be greeted by some passing whales down at the beach. It was a tremendous day and I know that all students and parents from Punchbowl PS had a wonderful time. I would like to recognise the wonderful organisational effort by Mrs Clements and the entire Year 4 team. I would also like to thank all of the Newport parents who volunteered their time and assisted in making the day so special. In particular I would like to express my thanks to Claudine Atkinson, Kim Francis, Emma Yeats, Naomi Deathridge, Luke Wilson and Monica Lerpiniere.

The other trend, of experiencing unseasonably cool weather and rain during our Year 2 Swimming Program came to fruition again this year, however, it did not deter most of our students who braved the cooler conditions and at times, driving rain, to learn about water safety and to develop their swimming skills. Many thanks to Mrs Falconer for organising the program and to Mr Cooper and Miss Mallin for braving the cold and joining the children in the water.

Music

Over the past few months, our assembly audiences have been entertained as members of our music program have performed as part of one of our bands or the orchestra as well as enjoying seeing where it all started for many, as a V1 or V2. There is no doubt that we are privileged to have such an amazing Music Program which currently includes about 150 students participating in 7 ensembles comprised of 3 string ensembles and 4 wind bands.

Music has been proven to help children with their academic achievement, sharpen their attentiveness and creativity and enhance their memory and fine motor skills. The Strings Program is available for students from Year 1 onwards and the Band Program from Year 3 onwards. **This Thursday**, all four conductors will be available to discuss our music program and answer any questions you may have. The Information Evening will include instrument demonstrations and testimonies from current musicians and is sure to be informative and entertaining. I would like to encourage everyone to attend on **Thursday 14th November 7.00pm in our School Hall.**

Kindergarten visits

This week, Julie Parker and I have been visiting our local preschools and preparing Kindergarten class information for the 2014 school year. As a staff we are reviewing the results from the school evaluation process, are reviewing our numbers and formation of classes across the school and beginning to organise staffing. So as you can see, planning for 2014 is well underway and we would appreciate your help in letting us know as soon as possible, if your plans are changing next year and you will no longer be a part of our Newport school community.

School Evaluation

Thank you to all parents who have been involved in our Annual School Evaluation process. Parents were surveyed in the areas of spelling, communication and overall school satisfaction. The data collected from this process is vital and informs our future planning. The results of this process will be included in our 2013 Annual School Report.

Year 6 Camp

Next week, Year 6 is going to The Great Aussie Bush Camp on the mid North Coast. Many people know the site as the Ayers Rock Roadhouse on the Pacific Highway near Teagardens. The students will be away for four days and will participate in a range of outdoor activities including canoeing, archery, high ropes and giant swing. I am sure they will have a wonderful time away together.

**Warm regards,
Natalie Baldi**

Dates for your diary

Mon 18th Nov	Yr 6 Camp starts
Tues 26th Nov	School Helpers Morning Tea 11.00am
Mon 9th Dec	Kinder Celebration Assembly 10.00am
Wed 11th Dec	Yrs 1-6 Presentation Assembly
Mon 16th Dec	Year 6 Graduation Dinner 6.00pm
Tues 17th Dec	K-6 Christmas Picnics
Wed 18th Dec	Last Day Students

IS YOUR CHILD ATTENDING PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL 2014?

Pittwater High School uniform Shop is open Tuesday's and Thursday's between 8.15am and 11.15am. If your child requires uniforms for 2014 come in and beat the rush before Orientation Day on the 4th Dec

CHESS NEWS

Last Thursday three teams of chess players headed to Pittwater House Prep School for the Primary Schools One-Day Northern Beaches Tournament. 54 teams from 10 schools competed in 7 rounds of chess games run to a Swiss format system. The Newport A team (Finn Lindley, Thiago Ortiz and Aaron Hughes) finished the contest, with a near perfect score of 20 points from a possible 21, an outstanding result and the first big win for the team this year. Newport B also finished within a whisker of the podium. With an overall score of 15 they tied for third place however with a computer count back system warranted, 3rd place went to Wheeler Heights A. The very young but enthusiastic Newport C made up of Rafael Ortiz in year 1 plus Jethro and Vishar in KEJ came a credible equal 43rd from 54 teams.

Newport A has gained State selection to compete at North Sydney Boys High School in December. This State Title event will bring together all the best chess schools from Metropolitan and Country areas of NSW.



Mark Tickle

MUSIC NEWS

Music Information Evening; Our Information Evening for 2014 is taking place this Thursday (14th November). If you have any friends who have expressed interest please let them know. All our conductors (Karen Leimbach, John Stone, Andrew Laurich and Fiona Gudmunson) will be there. It is a great opportunity to ask questions and get the best answers. There will be an opportunity to register on the night but it is totally obligation free.

Dates for Diary

14 th Nov	String Orchestra playing for primary assembly
14 th Nov	Music Information Evening. 7.00pm School Hall.
16 th Nov	Avalon Market Day – All 4 wind ensembles playing
21 st Nov	Concert Band playing for primary assembly
24 th Nov	Annual General Meeting
24 th Nov	Music Committee Meeting (directly after AGM)
9 th Dec	Twilight Concert
11 th & 12 th Dec	Auditions for Performance Band
13 th Dec	Instrument Hire return

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

KSO	Tiana Walsh, Jonah Richardson	2BN	
KAJ	Jasper White, Benny Matthews	2AM	Alana Cleary, Angus Stevens
KEE	Elliot Moore, Indigo Hinton-West	2SC	Heidi Adams, Joseph Moy
KDF	Anastasia Karjalainen, Fabian Stacey	2BG	Archie Sergi, Jocelyn Carter
KJP	James Collingridge, Amber Ratcliff	3GB	Claudia Fitzgerald, Josie Moore
KEJ	Jess Arthur, Harry Proctor	3LS	Robert Thomas, Erin Mawson, Kai Raffles
KMG	Chloe Reeves, Milla Brown	3AR	Joshua Lakeman, Piper Lerpiniere
1SN	Isabelle Banbury, Henry Walsh	3BF	Brody Grainger-Markham, Otylia Campos
1JJ	Ella Tailby, Riley Kingdon	6GM	Kai Van Kool, Rebecca Milham
1DD	Daisy Reffold, Luke Ambrosius	6KK	Mya Sullivan, Zane Ramey
1JG	Cian Sargeant, Avalon Johnstone	6IW	Jackson Parker, Anja Kastowsky, Tess Downey
1/2JF			

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Online Ordering

Orders placed online at flexischools.com.au prior to 5pm on Fridays will be delivered to your child's class on the following **Monday or Tuesday**. Order forms can also be collected from the office or emailed on request. Please contact us if you have any order queries.

Opening Hours

The Uniform Shop is open Mondays 9-10am and Tuesdays 3-4pm. We accept cash or cheque. Credit card payments are accepted when ordering via flexischools.com.au.

For enquiries, please contact newportuniformshop@hotmail.com or Carla Pettitt 0413-804-015 & Kate Raffles 0413-519-872.

Christmas Gift Mufti Day

Stewart House Family Christmas Tree Gift 2013.



Dear Newport Family

Well it's that time of the year again!

On Thursday 12th December we are having a Christmas Gift Day. The idea is that each child brings in a gift for a child to put beneath the Christmas tree. The gifts will be donated to Stewart House.

- The gift needs to be wrapped and labelled, boy/girl and the age of the child it is suitable for.
- Please no second hand toys and not too big.
- Gifts can be dropped at school, outside the Counsellors office next to the Infants staff room prior to this date but PLEASE no later. After this date your gifts can be delivered directly to Wiseberry real estate in Mona Vale.
- The children are to wear mufti, (Christmas colours, Red/Green).

Wiseberry Real Estate, will collect the gifts from the school and send them on to Stewart House.

Thank You in advance for your generosity.

Newport Charity Committee

Canteen News

The new roster is up for next year. If you have one day a month, or one day a term please come on in and join our great team.

Monday Nov 18th: S Law, K Maguire, J Masters

Tuesday Nov 19th: N Deathridge, C Curtin

Wednesday Nov 20th: J Newton

Thursday Nov 21st: E Links, A Hunt, D Giddy, T Langton

Friday Nov Fri 22nd: A Upton, M Burke, T Berkley, K Ginsburg, L Brown, K Searl

If you are unable to make your rostered day, please let Tammy know on 9979 6504 or email the canteen

newportschoolcanteen@hotmail.com

FUNDRAISING NEWS

With only weeks to Christmas it is time to think of all those great Christmas goodies. We are doing a pudding and gingerbread house fundraiser this year. Please see attached form. If you would like to order please return the form to Tammy in the canteen. As always thank you for all your support

The Fundraising Team



Christmas Pudding & Gingerbread House Fundraiser

It's that time of the year again!!! With only weeks until Christmas it is time to order your puddings or Gingerbread Houses.

Tammy in the canteen is making puddings & Gingerbread Houses.

The puddings come in three sizes:

250g (perfect teacher gift), 500g or 1 kg.

Gingerbread House come in two sizes:

Small (in a cupcake box, again great teacher gift)

Or family size.

If you would like to order please fill in the below form and return to Tammy in the canteen, with the correct money

No later than Monday 2nd December

Thank you for your participation and enjoy your Christmas goodies

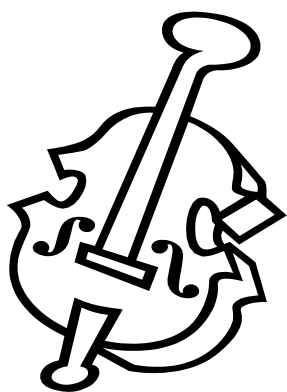
Merry Christmas

The fundraising team

Name:

Type	Size	Price	Total
Pudding	250g	\$15	
Pudding	500g	\$20	
Pudding	1kg	\$28	
Gingerbread house	Small(Boxed)	\$15	
Gingerbread house	Family	\$35	

Gluten Free (add \$3.00) ☐



Have some questions about our
**Newport Public School
Music Program?**

Come to the



Music Program Information Night
Thursday 14th November
7.00pm
School Hall

What is the difference between a xylophone and a glockenspiel?

What is the difference between a tuba and a euphonium?

What instruments are available for my child to play?

When is the best age to start teaching my child music?

When are rehearsal times?

When do I have to register for the band or orchestra?

What about the Music Camp?

What opportunities are there for the children to perform?

What's involved in the violin program?

Will my child need to have a tutor as well?

Can you hire instruments?

How many ensembles are there?

Newport Quality Behaviour Program

This week we are going to meet 'Connie and Charlie Confidence'.

Confidence means knowing that you will be successful at many things you study. It means not being afraid to make mistakes or to try something new. Examples of confident behaviour are raising your hand in class to answer a hard question, doing hard work without asking for help, or sharing a new idea with a teacher or the class.

Positive Habits of mind that help develop a young person's confidence are:

- **Accepting Myself** – not thinking badly about myself when I make a mistake.
- **Taking Risks**- thinking that it's good to try something new even though I might not be able to do it.
- **Being Independent**– thinking that it's important to try new activities and to speak up even if my classmates think I'm silly or stupid.

Connie Confidence



Charlie Confidence



She has a go at everything. She has a real "I can do it" attitude.

She speaks up in the classroom, putting her hand up to answer questions even if they are really tricky.

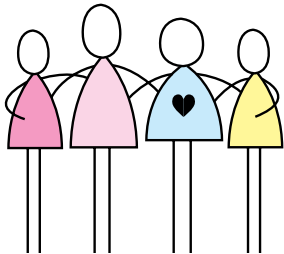
When she doesn't understand something, she doesn't get really upset with herself because she knows that it doesn't mean that she is stupid.

She stands up straight and looks people in the eye and everyone can hear and understand her when she speaks to the whole class.

She doesn't worry too much about making mistakes or about what others think. She believes she can do it.

\$30 PER FAMILY

SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2013



**MUMS FOR MUMS NEWPORT
CAROLS AND OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT**

ARTHUR CHRISTMAS



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SNOW CONES AND POPCORN

**DRINKS AND BBQ AVAILABLE
FROM NEWPORT SURF CLUB**

**CAROLS FROM 6.30PM
WITH ALISON HARDER & BAND**

**AND A
SPECIAL
GUEST**



- MOVIE COMMENCES AT 8PM.
- BATTERY OPERATED CANDLES FOR PURCHASE.
- BRING ALONG PICNIC RUGS, BEAN BAGS & PILLOWS.

THANKS FOR HELPING TO SUPPORT MUMS FOR MUMS NEWPORT.