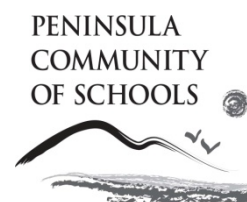




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NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday 4th December 2013

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Student Leaders 2014

I would like to congratulate the following Year 5 students on their election as school leaders for 2014. They will be invested into their new positions at our Presentation Assembly.

School Captains

School Captains: Mhairi Dunsmore, Kyle Ambrosius
School Vice Captains: Caly Maguire, Jonathon Vaughan

Sports Captains

Amaroo

House Captains: Sacha Clements, Jake Barnabas
House Vice Captains: Grace Carroll, Toby May

Biala

House Captains: Marlie Smith, Hunter Hanson
House Vice Captains: Jacinta Rogers, Wilson Hall

Beranghi

House Captains: Ashlie Edwards, Mac Omm
House Vice Captains: Harriette Burke, Sebastian Mills

Cabarita

House Captains: Stella Campbell, Rowan Mitchell
House Vice Captains: Jazmine Lerpiniere, Oskar Hall

Music Captains

Performance Band: Jessica Gudmunson, Max Donohoe
String Orchestra: Billie Norman, Thomas Poppleton

Congratulations Girls Cricket team

Yesterday our Girls Cricket team competed in the finals of the PSSA Cricket State Knockout competition in Maitland. They played Tumbarumba PS, winning 80-36. The girls progressed to the final against Narrabri West PS. It was a hard fought game, however, the girls showed persistence and determination to win 6/76 against 7/62. The fabulous sportsmanship of our girls was commented on by both umpires. A fantastic result! I would like to thank Kylie Keogh, Peter Aroney and James Campbell for their ongoing support of this team throughout the year.

Newport PS Music Program Twilight Concert

Monday 9th December, 7.00pm

Pittwater High School

This annual concert comprising all the students in our Music Program is not to be missed. It is a wonderful showcase of our talented musicians and a great celebration of their achievements and hard work throughout the year. It is always terrific to see the growth in musical skills of the students over the year. I hope you can join us on Monday for the concert.

Good luck to our PSSA Boys Softball Knockout Team

On Thursday the senior boys' softball team will be heading to the NSW Softball Complex at Blacktown Olympic Park to participate in the semi-finals of the Softball State Knockout Competition. The boys have shown a lot of hard work and dedication to training and we wish them the best of luck. Good luck boys!

Year 4 Market day

Yesterday the sun was shining as Year 4 held their annual Christmas Markets to raise money for Nepcam. This charity provides money for educational needs to Nepalese and Cambodian communities. The Year 4 students sold a variety of products that they had made in their classrooms during Term 4. It was a fantastic community event with the school raising a total of \$1700.00. We would like to thank all the families that supported Year 4 with materials to make the products and the families that provided money for children to buy products and make this event successful.

Kindergarten Celebration Assembly

Monday 9th December, 10.00am

Once again we will be holding a special assembly to recognise the achievements of all our very special 2013 Kindergarten students. They have all made outstanding progress throughout this year and we are very proud of them. Parents are invited to join us for this Celebration Assembly. We will have a morning tea after the assembly, so bring along something to share with your child.

Presentation Day

Wednesday 11th December

Pittwater High School Hall

Our annual Presentation Assembly will be held next Wednesday. At this assembly we take the opportunity to celebrate the wonderful achievements of our students from throughout 2013. There have been many successes academically as well as in the areas of sport, music, dance, choir and chess. Years 1 to 6 will be attending this Presentation Assembly. I hope you can join us for this important event.

Red & Green Mufti Day

Thursday 12th December

Our Student Parliament will be holding a final Mufti Day for the year. Each year our community supports families less fortunate than our own, by donating gifts to the Stewart House Christmas Tree Gift Appeal. We have a Christmas tree set up outside the Counsellor's office (next to the Infants staffroom). We ask that children dress in red or green and bring a gift to place beneath the tree.

Reports

Reports for Kinder to Year 5 will be sent home next week. Year 6 will receive their reports next Monday 16th December.

Pittwater Zone PSSA Spring Competition

Congratulations to all the children who have participated in the Spring PSSA competition. It was a very successful competition for Newport with the following results:

Senior A Girls Softball - Champions

Senior B Girls Softball - Champions

Junior A Boys Softball - Champions

Thank you to all the staff and parents who have supported the children during this competition. Well done everyone!

Returning late in 2014?

We need to know if your child/children are returning to Newport after the start of the 2014 school year (Wednesday 29th January). I require a short note to confirm that they will be returning and on what day so they can still be counted in our enrolment numbers and placed in their 2014 class.

Picnic Day

Years 1-2 and 3-6 picnic days will be held on Tuesday 17th December. Student in years 1-2 will be travelling to Bilarong Reserve at Narrabeen, they will need to bring morning tea, lunch and 2 drinks.

Students in years 3-6 will be travelling to the Basin camping ground on the western side of Pittwater for a games day. There will be no swimming, students need to bring a packed lunch, plenty to drink, sunscreen and a hat. No thongs or singlet tops please. The cost of this outing has been included in the term account. Notes have already been sent home and must be returned ASAP.

It's Academic

Earlier this year 17 of our students were involved in the 'It's Academic' TV program. Although it was filmed in March, the episode aired only last week. I would like to congratulate all of our students who participated in this. They represented our school with pride

**Regards,
Margaret Charlton
Principal**

Dates for diary

Mon 9th Dec	Kinder Celebration Assembly 10.00am
Mon 9th Dec	Music program Twilight Concert @ Pittwater HS 7.00pm
Wed 11th Dec	Yrs 1-6 Presentation Assembly @ Pittwater High School 10am
Thurs 12th Dec	Red & Green Mufti day
Mon 16th Dec	Year 6 Graduation Dinner 6.00pm
Tues 17th Dec	K-6 Christmas Picnics
Wed 18th Dec	Last Day Students

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

KSO	Mia Pettitt, Luke Moore	3GB	Angela Carter, Daniel Rogers
KAJ	Soraya Shah, Matilda Smith	3LS	Anna Reeman, Chloe Cate
KEE	Josh Baker, Chelsea Hayes	3AR	Taj Harker, Hugo Bundock
KDF	Corey Schwerdtfeger, Sophia Tailby	3BF	Zoe Bracey, William Cardiff
KJP	Eva Bell, Lachlan Glew	4NE	Callum Brodtke, Amity Cox
KEJ	Summer Roach, Jethro Browne	4KH	Max Barrett, Hugo Griggs
KMG	Patrick Crighton, Joel Newton	4SC	Halainah Smith, Edward Ashe
1SN	Will Phelan, Zara McCauley	4LC	Jett Jones, Ashlee Beard
1JJ	Hayley Fisher, Jack Langton	5LH	Tyson Cogan, Harriette Burke
1DD	Alexandra Murray, Dean Rogers	5TD	Chloe Geeves, Taylah Christensen
1JG	Alicia Ockwell, Lucas Strachan	5RW	Annalena Bartnizky, Jack Berry
1/2JF	Holly Hines, Sienna Sinfield	5/6AH	Maille Nebauer, Isabella Williamson
2BN	Leroy Abercromby, Maddie Nielson	6IW	Reuben Bloom, Selina Fethers
2AM	Rosaria Pangallo, Kye Schwerdtfeger	6KK	Alice Mitchell, Sebastian DeSmeth
2SC	Jake Fairless, Jasmine Thomas	6GM	Sam Borg, Bridget Nadin
2BG	Bianca Shepherd, Lex Raffles		

CHESS NEWS

On Sunday Newport's top three chess players dressed in their uniforms and headed to North Sydney Boys High School for the State finals of the NSW Junior Chess Leagues' One Day Tournaments. The competition brought together 57 teams from 57 different schools across the Country and Metropolitan Regions of New South Wales. Finn Lindley (captain), Thiago Ortiz and Aaron Hughes played & rounds of chess in a Swiss Format System over the course of the day. The boys played brilliantly and whilst they didn't make the top three they did finish a very credible equal 8th overall. This is the second best result Newport has ever achieved in its chess history. After three Regional Tournaments, our 2013 Newport Chess Team is now the highest placed Northern Beaches School from the nine NSW schools who qualified. Congratulations to our players who had trained and studied hard in the lead up to the finals. Special thanks to Edson Ortiz who has assisted in training our teams throughout the year and provided much needed support at the State Title.

Overall Results

1st Kings School

2nd St Ives North

3rd Summer Hill

Equal 8th Belair, Scots, St Johns Park, Westport, **Newport**

While all Interschool Chess Contests for 2013 have now finished, Newport Public School is now hosting its annual School Lunchtime Tournament. Seniors began play on Monday, with a big group of boys and girls attending. Juniors can sign up and grab their score cards tomorrow. This Christmas contest offers competition minded chess enthusiasts who may not gain selection throughout the year the opportunity to gain some competition experience and maybe even pick up a small prize. Play is on every Monday and Thursday lunchtime in Mr. Tickle's room.

A small group of targeted Kindergarten students has joined in the lunchtime chess. The boys and girls have learnt all about the board, placement of pieces and how to play pawn invaders!

Mark Tickle

LIBRARY NEWS

All library books must be returned to the library by the end of this week. There are still many children with overdue books and they have all been given an overdue notice to take home. Can everyone at home please be involved in looking, as someone may have 'tidied up' and put the book somewhere where you are not looking. Contact the library if you have any problems or questions.

Stephanie Bracey, Sylvia Fisher and Rita Ericsson.

What is ultraviolet (UV) radiation?

UV radiation comes from the sun, but unlike sunlight, it can't be seen or felt. It comes directly from the sun and can also be scattered in the air and reflected by surfaces such as buildings, concrete, glass, sand, snow and water. UV radiation can pass through light cloud and can be damaging to skin on cool, cloudy days as well as on hot, sunny days.

There are three types of UV radiation:

- UVA: transmits freely through the earth's atmosphere.
- UVB: about 15% of UVB transmits through to the earth's atmosphere. The rest is absorbed by ozone.
- UVC: is absorbed by ozone and does not reach the earth's surface.

UVA and UVB both contribute to sunburn, skin ageing, eye damage and skin cancer. Your risk of developing skin cancer is related to the amount of UV radiation you are exposed to over your lifetime, particularly in childhood.

So please remember to:



Protect yourself in five ways from skin cancer

MUSIC NEWS

Twilight Concert: Our end of year Twilight Concert is taking place this Monday 9/12/13. This year it will take place at Pittwater High School. Our Training Band will be organising a BBQ starting at 5.30pm, with the concert starting at 7.00pm. Everyone welcome

Have your child play the Double Bass: We are keen to have at least one Double Bass player in our String Orchestra next year. We are offering free instrument hire for the first year to those students who are willing to give it a try. We have enough double basses available for the students to have an instrument at home and one at school, to save any transportation problems. Please contact Karen Leimbach at kml@luckycountryproductions.com if you are interested.

Free instrument hire for some Training Band instrument? We have received a lot of interest for 2014 Training Band. Some instruments, such as drums, are already full however there are still positions available for most instruments, if you are quick! In order to obtain a "balanced" ensemble the Music Committee is offering **free instrument hire** for a number of instruments including trombone, tuba/euphonium and bassoon. This will save you \$200 and allow your child to try out the instrument for a year without such a large up-front cost. If you would like to enrol your child in the Training Band please contact John Stone at johnnomuzik@hotmail.com.

Interested in Violin? There are a limited number of spaces in our Violin program and these are filling up fast. If you were unable to make it to our Music Information Evening last Thursday but would still like to enrol your child in our Violin Program please contact Victoria Norman at vics@norman.com.au.

Dates for Diary

9th Dec Twilight Concert

11th & 12th Dec

Auditions for Performance Band

11th Dec

Performance Band playing at Presentation assembly

12th Dec

Stage Band playing for primary assembly

12th Dec

Instrument Hire return. 8.45am to 9.30am

16th Dec

Instrument Hire return. 8.45am to 9.30am

13/1/14

Music Information Evening

Canteen News

Monday Dec 9th: N Cronan, L Sadler

Tuesday Dec 10th: Tanti, R Sweet, F Griffith

Wednesday Dec 11th: M Ramsay, I Osbourne, H Symington- Jones

Thursday Dec 12th: K Paul, J Paton, C Borg, J Luckman

Friday Dec 13th: S Law, M Lye, S Carter, N Jones

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

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Uniforms 2014

With only 2 weeks of Term 4 remaining, now's the time to think about what you might need for next year. The last open for 2013 will be **Tuesday, 10 December** with stocktake being completed the following week. The last online orders for delivery to your child this year can be placed up until 5pm Friday, 13 December for delivery the following Monday or Tuesday.

School Holiday Open

The Uniform Shop will be open on **Monday, 27 January 2014** (Public Holiday) from 9-10am for any last minute purchases.

Are you able to volunteer during this school holiday open? As the school holiday opens have been fairly busy over the last couple of years, we'd love some extra help. If you are able to volunteer an hour or two, please contact Carla or Kate (details below).

Are you leaving Newport Public School?

The uniform shop welcomes donations of second-hand uniforms. Donations of uniforms can be dropped to the uniform shop during one of our opens or at the school office any other time. Please ensure items donated are clean and in saleable condition (Newport school uniforms only please).

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

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 houses 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

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) ☐

NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

presents the 2013

TWILIGHT CONCERT

Please join us for the chance to see what the Music Program is all about and to celebrate the amazing achievements of all our very talented student musicians

Monday 9th December, Pittwater High School

All ensembles are playing:

Violin 1 & 2

Training Band

Concert Band

Performance Band

String Orchestra

Stage Band

BBQ from 5:30pm, Concert starts at 7pm



The Committee and Staff of NOOSHC
(Newport Outside of School Hours Care)
invite you to the

- **NOOSHC AGM**
- an end of year celebration - sausage sizzle followed by entertainment
- **Matt the Balloon man at 7.30pm**
(A must see show!!!)



Parents, grandparents & friends are most
welcome.

AGM & NOOSHC end of year BBQ
FRIDAY December 6th 2013
6.30pm

**All parents (new, old, past & present) are invited
along to an end of year SAUSAGE SIZZLE.**

Bring along a picnic rug and enjoy an evening with other parents and
children.

A great opportunity for new (& old) parents and children to celebrate the end of the year
with each other, centre staff and committee members.

Sausages, bread, sauce & cordial drink supplied by NOOSHC.
If you would prefer anything else to eat or drink please bring along
with you.

**All NOOSHC parents have been emailed an invitation
to the NOOSHC end of year celebration
- could you please assist us in catering for the evening by returning
the attendance slip (on the bottom of the emailed invitation)
No later than Wednesday December 4th 2013.**

ALL WELCOME

NOOSHC AGM

FRIDAY DECEMBER 6
6.30PM SHARP
at the NOOSHC centre.

Nomination forms for the parent management committee are available at the centre.

As a number of members on the 2013 parent committee have children who will be leaving NPS at the end of 2013 NOOSHC will be looking for members to become President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Public Officer as well as being Ordinary Parent Committee members to help out.

NOOSHC will also be involved in the accreditation process in 2014, parents are required to actively participate and we will be looking for support from parents.

This is your school community OOSH service and benefits the children of Newport Public School, so come along, meet other parents, be an active participant.

Drinks and nibbles provided.