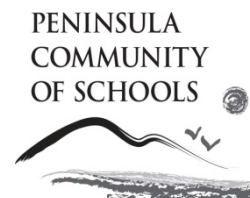




# NEWPORT NATTER



## NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday 19th June 2013

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### Sydney North Dance Festival

Over the next two weeks three of our dance groups will participate in the Sydney North Dance Festival. Our Year 2 dance group will perform 'Monstrous Friends', the Year 3/4 dance group will perform 'American Bandstand' and the Year 5/6 dance group will perform 'Classics Alive'. I would like to wish all our dancers all the best in their performances. I know they will be shining lights at Glen Street. I can't wait to see them on the stage. I would like to congratulate all the children involved in the dance groups, and thank Mrs Brandenburg and Mrs Nicol for the hard work they have given in preparation for this festival. I would also like to thank Glenda Hanks, Tina Bracher, Jacqui Paton and their dedicated teams of parents for coordinating and organising the fabulous costumes. It is truly a Newport community event.

#### Pyjama Day

##### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Next Thursday Year 6 is holding this term's fundraiser. They are asking for a gold coin donation and students can wear their pyjamas to school for the day. It is always lots of fun. Thank you for your support.

#### Year 6 Debating

Today our Year 6 Debating team are debating students from Harbord PS as part of the Premier's Debating Challenge. This is Round 1, and with the topic 'Bullies should be expelled from school' Newport is the affirmative team. I would like to wish our students all the best. I know they will be great competitors. Good luck; Glenn Sands, Charlie Belic, Charlotte Labrie and Charli Wiles.

#### Multicultural Perspectives Speaking Competition

Next Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, four of our talented public speakers will represent Newport Public School in the local area final of the Multicultural Speaking Competition, at Collaroy Plateau PS. We have two students from Stage 2 (Mia Deathridge and Edward Ashe) and two from Stage 3 (Jemima Thomas and Charli Wiles) participating. I would like to wish them all the best. I know they will be fine representatives for our school.

#### Peninsula Community of Schools NAIDOC Week and Newport

This year, Newport will celebrate NAIDOC week at school and with the PCS with a range of exciting and engaging activities. Mr Hearne, Mr Cooper and five lucky students will be Newport's representatives at the PCS "Melaleuca Moonlight" initiative at Wheeler Heights PS on Thursday night, the 27<sup>th</sup> June. This camp out at Wheeler heights PS is a major focus of our NAIDOC Week celebrations. Staff and students will be involved in Aboriginal dance and music, get to collaborate with Aboriginal community members to create art, hear stories and feast on traditional Aboriginal cuisine. We hope you all have a fantastic time and look forward to hearing all about it.

#### You are invited to attend the Peninsula Community of Schools Art Exhibition in celebration of the Guringai Festival, "Live Life Loudly".

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**Where:** Wheeler Heights Public School, Veterans Parade, Wheeler Heights

**When:** Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June

**Time:** 5:00pm – 7:00pm (Official Welcome at 5:30pm)

**Admission:** Gold coin donation

#### Congratulations Newport Dramatists

Both our Year 2 and Year 4/5 drama groups were successful in their auditions for the Arts North Drama Festival. Mrs Green and 2BG are performing 'The Paperbag Princess', and Mrs Parker and the Year 4/5 group are performing 'Hairy Nose Itchy Butt'. They will go on to perform at NIDA on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July.

## PSSA Zone Combined Gala Day

On Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> the Newport sporting teams attended the Pittwater/ Manly Warringah Gala Day. The senior Girls' Soccer team drew two games and lost two, finishing 6<sup>th</sup> overall. The Senior Boys' Soccer team won one game and lost two, unfortunately not progressing to the semi-finals. The Senior Girls A Netball team won all their games, progressing to the grand final where they met their match against a strong team from Balgowlah North going down by 2 points. They finished runners up overall. The Senior Girls' B Netball team won 3 of their 4 games and were unlucky not to progress to the semis. The Senior Boys' Rugby League won 3 of their 4 games, progressing to the semi-finals where they lost to Harbord in a close game. The Junior Boys' Rugby League won all their games, making the grand final against Mona Vale. The scores were locked at the end of full time and extra time. Unfortunately because the Mona Vale team scored first they were judged the winners. The junior boys finished as runners up. Congratulations to all the teams who entered. They represented Newport proudly and played with good sportsmanship and fair play. A good day was had by all.

## Congratulations to our softballers

Congratulations to Ella Paton and Sascha Taurins, who have been selected for the Sydney North Girls Softball team. They will play in the state championship at Glenwood Park in Term 3. Good luck girls.

## Semester 1 Reports

Teachers are currently completing the preparation of students' Semester 1 reports. Reports will be sent home to parents in the week commencing June 24.

## Term 3 Dates

**Staff return** - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July, School Development Day  
**Students return** - Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July  
**Last day of term** - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Regards,  
Margaret Charlton  
Principal

## Deputy Principal's Report

Dear Parents,

Next week your child will be bringing home his or her report for this semester (Terms 1 and 2). The following information about interpreting the report, and some insight into the teacher's perspective as he/she was preparing the report, may help you to understand how your child is progressing at school.

- The Semester 1 report gives information about what a student has achieved academically, close to the end of Term 2. Together as a grade, teachers make judgements about what students in that grade should be achieving at this point in the year. Teachers then relate this to their individual students. E.g. If a student is achieving this, he/she will receive a **sound** on the Years K-6 reports.
- If a student is achieving more than is expected, when compared against the syllabus standard for his/her grade, at this point in the year, he/she will receive a **high or outstanding** depending on his/her performance, when compared with syllabus expectations (Years 1-6 reports). On Kinder reports, he/she will receive a **Working Beyond**.
- If a student is not yet achieving what is expected at this point in the year for his/her grade when compared with syllabus expectations, he/she will receive a **limited or basic** score. On Kinder reports, he/she will receive a **Working Towards**.
- When teachers write a comment about your child, they describe where relevant, what the student is demonstrating he/she can do and what is coming next on the progression of learning for that child. This is for a student, even if he/she has achieved a high or outstanding score in a particular area. Therefore, the scores in each area, from Limited to Outstanding, need to be read in conjunction with the comment, to gain a better understanding of what your child is currently doing and what he/she needs to do next.
- As well as indicating how well your child is going academically, the effort boxes assessed as excellent, sound and limited, indicate your child's ability to be organised, focussed on learning and persist in developing their knowledge and skills.
- Finally, the last page describes his/her work habits along with the social and behavioural aspects observed of students, when at school.

If you have any further questions about your child's report, please see your child's class teacher. If you have any questions about our reporting process, please see Natalie or Anthony in the office.

Warm Regards,  
Natalie Baldi  
Deputy Principal

## Primary Athletics Carnival

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July

The Newport Athletics Carnival will be held at Narrabeen Sports Centre on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of July, (week 2 Term, 3). Students are reminded to wear their house colours and a hat and bring their lunch and plenty of water. The day will commence at 9.00am and buses will depart Narrabeen at 2.30 to return to school before 3.25. Students are asked to remain at Narrabeen and support their house and friends rather than leaving early with their parents. Students who do leave with parents must sign out before leaving. Students may not go home with anyone other than their own parents without written permission. The Athletics Carnival is a highlight of the year and we hope to see as many of you there as possible.

### PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Boys events will precede those for Girls.

Spikes, not exceeding 7mm, may be worn except in 800m.

Times are approximate and the order of events can be changed at the discretion of the Carnival Managers

9.45am 200m Junior, 11 yrs, 12/13yrs  
(Fastest 2 qualifiers to Zone Carnival)

10.30am Age Race Heats  
8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 years: 100m  
(Fastest 10 qualifiers to zone carnival)

LUNCH approximately 12.30

1.15pm Age Race Finals  
8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 years  
(1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> to Zone Carnival)  
House Relays: Junior / Senior 8 x 70 metres

1.45pm 800 metres, Junior – Boys, Girls  
11 years Boys, Girls  
12 / 13 years Boys, Girls  
(1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> to Zone Carnival)

Field events will be conducted at school after the Carnival.

(1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> to Zone Carnival)

NB: Only Officials and competitors are permitted on the track area.

**Greg Moran**

**Carnival Coordinator**

## K-2 Athletics Carnival

The Athletics Carnival is on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July. Students need to wear their sports uniform but may wear a t-shirt, socks and ribbons in their house colour. All students will be travelling by bus to Narrabeen Academy of Sport. K-2 students will compete in grade running races. There will be no finals as the focus of the day is to keep the children active in as many activities as possible and to have a fun day. Other activities include novelty races such as sack races and ball games. To abide by the Narrabeen Sports Centre policy we ask all parents and toddlers to stay out of the arena at all times. At the completion of the K-2 carnival the teachers will walk their classes over to the fence, one grade at a time, to meet parents. You may take your child home with you at lunchtime but please see your child's class teacher first and have their name marked off the roll. Students may not go home with anyone other than their own parents without written permission. The buses return to school at 1.45pm. The carnival is usually one of the highlights of our school program and we look forward to seeing many of you there.

## K-2 Teachers

### Important Dates for Your Diary

<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Pyjama Day Gold Coin Donation</b>
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Last Day Students</b>
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Students Return</b>

## StarLab Planetarium comes to Newport!

Next week, Year 4 will be visited by the CSIRO who are bringing their very own planetarium to Newport School. They will experience the wonders of the night sky from inside the inflatable planetarium! The students will see the planets and their trek across the night sky, the phases of the Moon, the tilt of the Earth and how this effects our seasons and, have a look at our galaxy and where we fit into the Universe!  
Ask your Year 4 student for an update in Week 9!

## Year 4 teachers

## **MERIT AWARD WINNERS**

<b>KSO</b>	Lexie McCoy, Smith Davis	<b>3GB</b>	
<b>KAJ</b>	Ella Perrottet, Soraya Shah	<b>3LS</b>	Kai Raffles, April Wiles
<b>KEE</b>	Jemima Moran, Lilly Reid	<b>3AR</b>	Cooper Hennessy, Joshua Lakeman
<b>KDF</b>	Oliver Menzies, Katya Bens Chop	<b>3BF</b>	Luke Banbury, Lara Hines
<b>KJP</b>	Sienna Pangallo, Felix Russell	<b>4NE</b>	Jay Norris, Nina Lindley
<b>KEJ</b>	Mia Cox, Garrett Stanton	<b>4KH</b>	Charlotte Dunwell, Emma Jobbins
<b>KMG</b>	Sielo Campos, Ned Parker	<b>4SC</b>	Lulubelle Ryberg-Neale, Luke Morley
<b>1SN</b>	Taj Rawnsley, Rose Hocking	<b>4LC</b>	Emma Fletcher, Oscar Hooguis
<b>1JJ</b>	Eli Dent, Olivia Vartali	<b>5LH</b>	Rowan Mitchell, Grace Carroll
<b>1DD</b>	Joel Attewell, Daisy Reffold	<b>5TD</b>	Dom Murphy, Finn Sadler
<b>1JG</b>	Max Jordon, Avalon Johnstone	<b>5RW</b>	
<b>1/2JF</b>	Hamish Douglas, Jeremy Kirkland	<b>5/6AH</b>	Zac Barnabes, Emily Hinton-West
<b>2BN</b>	Lachlan Francis, Garth Boyd	<b>6GM</b>	Julia Hallgren, Lily Rowe
<b>2AM</b>	Anna Stokes, Quentin Willman	<b>6KK</b>	
<b>2SC</b>	Lily Playle, Julian Richard	<b>6IW</b>	Selena Fethers, Link Beggs
<b>2BG</b>	Lex Raffles, Anaia Cruickshank		

### **Young Writers Award**

Today I am going to tell you about the Solar System.

The Solar System consists of eight planets and one Sun. These eight planets orbit around the Sun. The eight planets are Mercury, the smallest planet; Venus; Earth, where so far, the only life in the Solar System is; Mars "the red planet"; Jupiter, the biggest planet; Saturn has amazing rings; Uranus, the upside-down planet and Neptune, the furthest planet.

All of the planets orbit around the Sun because of gravity. One full rotation around the Sun is called a year. One full rotation of the Earth (on its own axis) is a day. There are 365.25 days in a year. One rotation of the moon around the Earth is called a month.

Some scientists have been sending probes to Mars to see if there are any signs of life there - past or present - because Mars and Earth are both known as terrestrial planets. It means they are capable of sustaining life. If you are too close to the Sun it would be too hot for life and if you are too far away, it would be too cold. It is quite hard to go into Space because to get through the Earth's atmosphere requires a lot of speed and force.

In Space, without the necessary equipment, you would fry in the sunlight, freeze in the shade or suffocate because of the lack of air.

In Space, there is no gravity so you are practically weightless. Although the bigger the object, the more gravity it has. Gravity explains why on Earth, we don't just float around. It also explains why we orbit moving closer to the Sun every second.

I hope that you have learnt something about our Solar System.

**Jasper Giddy 4NE**

### **SCIENCE CLUB IS ON AGAIN**

Any Year 3 or 4 students wishing to go in the draw to be a part of Science Club in Term 3 can collect a note from the office. Once the note is filled in and signed by a parent, it can be returned to the office. Ten students will be drawn from the Science Club "hat" in Week 9 and will start Science Club in Week 1 of Term 3. Science Club was established in 2009 to promote and further students' interest in science within a safe and stimulating environment. Experiments and activities carried out include: Dancing Ice, Spaghetti Bridge Building, Lava Lamp Making and answering the question: "How many drops of water fit on a 5c piece?". The Club is run by Mrs Elliott on Tuesdays at lunchtime

**Nicola Elliott**

**YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER - PYJAMA DAY**  
**THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**  
**GOLD COIN DONATION**

## MUSIC NEWS

**Music Committee Meeting** is being held tonight (19/6/13) in the main staff room at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

**Northern Beaches Instrumental Festival** will take place from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

The **Performance Band** session has been changed from Friday night to Sunday morning. Students need to arrive at 8.50am. The session starts 9.20am and will be over by 10.20am.

A reminder that after the **String Orchestra** performance on Saturday 22/6/13 the students are encouraged to stay for the evening showcase concert performed by the Northern Beaches Orchestra. This is included in the ticket price and should be fabulous!

Please note that all musicians & audience/parents need to be in present for entire session.

Band uniforms to be worn. **Training Band** can borrow white shirts for the Music Program. **Concert Band** need to purchase black polo shirts, please refer to an email sent by Bindi Hooghuis on 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

### Dates for Diary

19 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Music Committee Meeting</b>
20 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Violin 2s</b> performing at primary assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>String Orchestra</b> performing at Northern Beaches Instrumental Festival (NBIF). Arrive 4.45pm. Session time 5.05pm to 6.30pm.
21 <sup>st</sup> June	<b>Performance Band</b> performing at NBIF. Arrive 8.50am. Session time 9:20am to 10.20am.
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>Training Band</b> performing at NBIF. Arrive 10.15am. Session time 10.25am to 11.25am
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>Concert Band</b> performing at NBIF. Arrive 3.10pm. Session time 3.20pm to 4.30pm.
25 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Performance Band</b> performing at school assemblies

### Canteen news

**WEDNESDAY NEXT WEEK 26<sup>TH</sup> THERE WILL BE BLUE CUP CAKES AT THE CANTEEN AGAIN SUPPORT THE BLUES!!!!!!**

#### *Next Week's Roster*

**Monday June 24th:** N Cronan, C Martin, B Kennedy, L Sadler, R Plunkett

**Tuesday June 25th:** Tanti, K Richardson, R Sweet, F Griffith

**Wednesday June 26th:** M Ramsay, L Osborne

**Thursday June 27th:** K Paul, J Paton, C Borg, J Luckman

**Friday June 28th:** M Lye, S Carter, S Law

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

[newportschoolcanteen@hotmail.com](mailto:newportschoolcanteen@hotmail.com)

### **Bakers Delight & Newport Public School Fundraising!**

**Mention you belong to Newport Public School when you buy products from Bakers Delight Newport and they will donate 5% of your sale to our school!**

***Until 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013***

## **UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

### ***Volunteer Needed***

Are you able to help one Monday per fortnight? We are currently looking for someone to help in the Uniform Shop every other Monday 9-10am. Please call Carla on 0413-804-015 if you can spare the time.

### ***Hats***

If ordering hats online or in person for Kindergarten and Year 1 students, broad-brimmed hats will be supplied in accordance with the school uniform policy. Next year Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students will be required to wear the broad-brimmed hats. Please remember that this is the school's policy and that Uniform Shop staff are following guidelines as set by the P&C.

### ***Support***

Thank you to parents who support the uniform shop. All profits raised go to the P&C to pay for things such as teaching support staff and improvements to school facilities.

### ***Ordering***

Orders placed online at [flexischools.com.au](http://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](http://flexischools.com.au).

For enquiries, please contact [newportuniformshop@hotmail.com](mailto:newportuniformshop@hotmail.com) or Carla Pettitt 0413-804-015 & Kate Raffles 0413-519-872.

A ticket order form will go out this Thursday to your child if they are performing in the choir or a featured item at this year's festival.

Ticket sales will be next Monday 17<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June before school from 9am outside Mrs Falconer's room. Please have your child's order in an envelope labelled with their NAME, CLASS and CHOIR or DANCE. Please ensure that the correct money or cheque payable to 'Newport School' is included.

Tickets will be distributed in Week 1 of Term 3.

Each performer has been allocated two tickets. Should you require further tickets, a second round of tickets will be offered in Week 1 next term if all tickets have not been sold previously.

**Jenny Falconer**  
**PCS Music Festival Treasurer**

## Heart smart

Here are some healthy heart food tips:

- use margarine spreads instead of butter
- choose reduced-fat milk (2% fat or less) for children two years and over
- have fish at least twice a week
- snack on fresh fruit
- don't add salt to cooking or at the table
- enjoy a variety of foods especially fruits, vegetables, breads and cereals.

## Easy ways to add physical activity to your day:

- ✓ walk to the store, the school or the playground instead of using the car
- ✓ allow time for children to play outdoors
- ✓ park the car away from the shops
- ✓ get off the bus one stop earlier
- ✓ don't use the remote control
- ✓ plant a veggie garden
- ✓ take the stairs instead of escalators or lifts
- ✓ schedule regular time each week for your family to be physically active together
- ✓ limit television time to no more than two hours per day or 14 hours a week.



## Mums for Mums Story:

Mums for Mums was formed in 2011 and has been set up to assist local families, within the Newport Community, through times of illness so that they can spend more time as a family and have support from our wonderful local community.

Mums for Mums provide assistance with cleaning, laundry, meals, providing transport to and from treatment, physical and/or mental rehabilitation and financial support – each family we assist has different needs. We have supported 15 families since 2011 and are currently supporting 6 families within the Newport School community. The individual circumstances are different ranging from various types of cancer, brain tumours, significant injury and/or illness of a parent or child and loss of a loved one. In all cases the wish for privacy and confidentiality is respected, however our desire to help as a community is very strong no matter the circumstances.

Mums for Mums are run by a committee of Newport mothers and is solely funded by donations and special fundraising events. We recently organized an outdoor movie night, showing Mamma Mia! at Bert Payne Park Newport, which was a huge success and we are looking forward to our upcoming **Cocktail Party on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2013!**

Please find attached an invite to this event, which will prove to be the social event of the NPS calendar year.

If you need help or you know of an individual or family who need help please send us your contact details via our email or website and Katrina Meek the founder of Mums for Mums will contact you to discuss the situation.

<http://www.mumsformums.org.au/>

[mumsformumsnewport@gmail.com](mailto:mumsformumsnewport@gmail.com)





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Veterans Parade Wheeler Heights

**When:** Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June

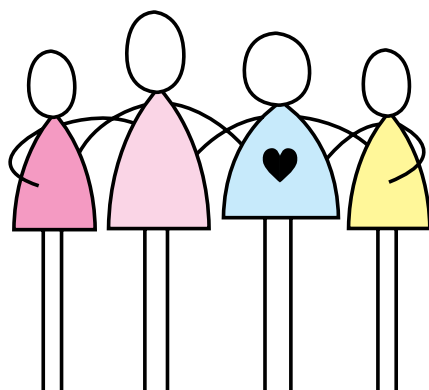
**Time:** 5:00pm – 7:00pm (Official Welcome at 5:30pm)

**Admission:** Gold coin donation

(Funds raised support Literacy Backpacks)

Light refreshments will be available

Enquiries: [Sharon.smithies@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Sharon.smithies@det.nsw.edu.au)



MUMS for MUMS

# cocktail party

Saturday 24th August, 2013

6.30pm

at the Royal Motor Yacht Club, Newport

Ticket price includes a  
cocktail on arrival (to be served from 6.30-7pm),  
canapes and the fabulous band £90.

**\$80** per person

Dress: cocktail

To purchase tickets

**-CLICK HERE-**

(or visit [www.mumsformums.org.au](http://www.mumsformums.org.au))

Tickets are limited to 300, so please purchase  
them ASAP to avoid disappointment.

Thanks for helping to support Mums for Mums





# SOFTBALL PITTWATER

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS FREE INTRO'  
CLINIC FOR GIRLS AGES 6 - 12!

TUESDAY JULY 9 &  
WEDNESDAY JULY 10.  
9AM TO NOON

PITTWATER SOFTBALL CLUB IS THE LARGEST SOFTBALL CLUB ON THE PENINSULA. T-BALL IS A FUN GAME USED AS AN INTRODUCTION TO SOFTBALL. FEEL FREE TO ATTEND ONE OR BOTH DAYS. T-BALL OR SOFTBALL EXPERIENCE IS NOT NECESSARY



**WHO:** GIRLS AGED BETWEEN 6 - 12 YEARS OLD. COME ALONG FOR A FANTASTIC MORNING AND LEARN SOME GREAT NEW SKILLS

**WHERE:** SOFTBALL DIAMONDS BEHIND RATPARK, NORTH NARRABEEN

**WHAT TO BRING:** A DRINK, A HAT, A SOFTBALL MIT (IF YOU DON'T HAVE ONE, DON'T WORRY) AND A SMILE

**PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE:** CONTACT CHRISTINE ANDIA ON 0414 967 111 OR PITTWATERSOFTBALL@GMAIL.COM

**CLINIC RUN BY NSW PSSA COACH & JUNIOR REGISTRAR PITTWATER SOFTBALL: SUE BRANDENBURG**