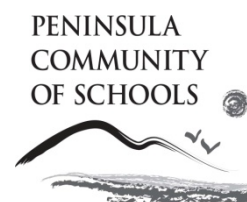




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NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday 4th September 2013

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Spring Working Bee – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Saturday 14th September - 8.00am to 1.00pm

Unfortunately we have a very small response to volunteers for this Working Bee. **I am in need of 3 or 4 dads to help install lattice-work around our new demountable classrooms.**

We have reduced the jobs to complete.

- Installation of lattice-work around our new demountable classrooms
- Grounds clean up, weeding and clearing etc. **Please bring gardening equipment as we have a limited amount at school.**
- If we get sufficient dads we would like to build shelving in our sports storeroom. If you can help with this project please ring me through the school office.

We will provide a great morning tea and lunch. Please complete the Working Bee slip attached to the Natter and return to school if you can assist us on the day.

Newport Fete – Chocolate Game Mufti Day

Thursday 5th September

This Thursday our dedicated Fete Committee are holding a mufti day with a twist to assist in the organisation for our upcoming fete. Children can come in mufti this Thursday. They need to bring a donation of chocolate for the Chocolate Box Game stall at our fete. Please support this hardworking team of parents.

NEWPORT FETE

Saturday 19th October

It is not long now to this wonderful community event. Organisation for the fete is now very busy. Our last fete engendered such a community feel with an army of volunteers helping the organising committee. In true Newport spirit we ask that our parents pull together and support the efforts of our hard-working Fete Committee. They will be asking for parent volunteers for the day, to give an hour of your time to help out on your class stall. Please give of your time and support their efforts.

Improving our Communication

Our school is conducting a trial of our own iPhone App to help us communicate more effectively with our community. We are trialling the iPhone version for 30 days. If we continue with the App after the trial we will then get the Android version in the Google Play Store. We are asking parents to install our App. To install it, just look for our school name "Newport Public School" in the Apple App Store, and install it on your iPhone. If you require any assistance please phone [1300 661 031](tel:1300661031) or email support@skoolbag.com.au. There may be a few teething problems as we get started so please bear with us.

Festival of Instrumental Music

Congratulations to our talented violinists on their outstanding performance at the Sydney Opera House last Thursday. They performed as part of the massed Strings Orchestra. It was a fabulous performance and

concert. The amazing talent from our public schools on display that night was awe-inspiring. Well done to our Newport students we were very proud of you.

Interschools Snowsports National Titles

This week our team of talented skiers and snowboarders are competing in the national Snowsports Competition. We have a number of children competing. I would like to wish the entire team all the best. I know they will achieve great things for Newport. Good luck everyone!

Congratulations Jasper and Zac

Congratulations Jasper Welsh and Zac Barnabas on their selection in the **NSW State Rugby Union** team. Both Jasper and Zac played extremely well for Sydney North in the week long, state knock out competition. Jack Anstey also represented Sydney North extremely well and was unlucky not to get selected in the state squad. **To help Jasper and Zac** fund their expenses to represent the state at the national carnival in Canberra, they will be holding a jellybean guessing competition and selling raffle tickets over the coming weeks. Each guess will be 50 cents to try and win a huge jar of jellybeans and \$2 per raffle ticket to be in the draw to win a laptop computer, TV or iPod Shuffle. Guesses and tickets can be purchased the first half of lunch, outside the staffroom, from Monday 9th to Thursday 12th September. Please support Jasper and Zac in their efforts to represent our state.

Fun and Funky Disco

Thursday 12th September

We are holding more fun-filled discos next week. Come along and join in the fun.

Kindergarten	4.45-5.30pm	Years 3 & 4	6.45-7.45pm
Years 1 & 2	5.45-6.30pm	Years 5 & 6	8.00-9.00pm

See the flyer in this week's Natter.

Year 4 Camp

Students from Year 4 enjoyed a wonderful camp at Broken Bay Sport and Recreation facility last week. They participated in a variety of activities including archery, bushwalking, rock climbing and flying fox. The weather was perfect with some warm spring days, but some chillier nights. As always the students were exceptionally well behaved and were a credit to their community. I would like to express my thanks to Mrs Cruikshank, Mrs Clements, Mrs Elliot, Mr White and Mrs Hulme, who willingly took time away from their families to attend the camp.

Congratulations Stella, Ashlie and Tara

Well done Stella Campbell, Ashlie Edwards and Tara Stuart who have been selected for the Sydney North Girls Cricket team. They will be participating in the state carnival in Nowra next term. Good luck girls.

Regards,
Margaret Charlton
Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

KINDERGARTEN 2014

It is hard to believe that we are planning for our Kinder 2014 cohort to attend Orientation in just a few weeks time! For those parents who have been familiar with Newport's Orientation program for the past few years, there has been a change to the organisation for 2013. Instead of offering a choice of day for children to attend the program, all of our prospective Kindergarten students for 2014 will attend Orientation on 3 consecutive Wednesdays, the 16, 23 and 30 of October. It will certainly be a busy morning in and around the school that day and we appreciate your patience and understanding. If you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2014, please make sure you have registered for the Orientation program through the school office, to ensure your child is placed in a colour group and you receive the relevant information for the program. Additionally, if you have not yet lodged your enrolment form, could you please do so as soon as possible, as planning for Kindergarten 2014 has started.

Warmest regards,
Natalie Baldi
Deputy Principal

Dates for your diary

Thursday 5th Sept	Fete Mufti Day
Tuesday 17th Sept	Fete Meeting 7.30pm
Friday 6th Dec	2014 Swimming Carnival

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

KSO	Darcy Kirkland, Holly Sledmere	3GB	Archie Gordan, Ella Vartuli
KAJ	Shimmer Woods, Jasper White	3LS	Thomas Collingridge, Liana Tulloch
KEE	Joel Lever, Matilda Reid	3AR	Ganan Stone, Matthew Zabel
KDF	Sophia Tailby, Gus Molyneux	3BF	Lara Hines, Brodie Grainger-Markham
KJP	Leilani Spring, Noah Wandl	4NE	-
KEJ	Max Searl, Tiana Hadzic	4KH	- year 4
KMG	Sielo Campos, Joel Newton	4LC	away on camp
1SN	Akina Davidson, Amelia Ross	4SC	-
1JJ	Joshua Tailby, Molly Pretty	5LH	-
1DD	Jada Driscoll, India Pratt	5TD	Erik Tinni, Hunter Hansen
1JG	Scarlett Dakers, Will Hooghuis	5RW	-
1/2JF	Sienna Sinfield, Tana Hooper-Nguyen	5/6AH	Roxy Quinn, Niam Melville
2BN	Laura Paterson, Leroy Abercromby	6GM	Ava Gardiner, Bridget Nadin
2AM	Noah Meinrath, Tilley Dakers	6KK	Alice Meucci, Arnu Matthews
2SC	Amelia Smith, Joseph Moy	6IW	Aaron Kokkonen, Geordie Smith
2BG	Allen Kirby, Eva Hawkins		

CEREBRAL PALSY FUNDRAISER

From Wednesday, 4 September Shane Clements, Anna Walter, Sue Brandenburg and Kylie Keogh will be taking on the challenge of completing 10,000 steps a day, for the entire month of September to raise vital funds for Cerebral Palsy Alliance. The average office worker only takes around 3,000 steps per day, so 10,000 steps a day is going to be quite the challenge. But it's for a very worthy cause. Cerebral palsy is the most common physical disability in childhood. One in two people with cerebral palsy are in chronic pain due to the tightening of their muscles. Many will never be able to take a single step without assistance.

You can donate to their fundraising page: (<http://bit.ly/19WY7sh>) or you can see any teacher who can give cash receipts. Any amount you contribute would make a huge difference to children and adults living with cerebral palsy and of course encourage us to complete our 10,000 steps per day!

Thank you so much,

Shane Clements, Anna Walter, Sue Brandenburg and Kylie Keogh.

P.S. You'll receive an automated receipt as every donation over \$2 is tax deductible.

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Tuesday, sixty Newport students attended the Pittwater Zone Athletics' Carnival. The students should be extremely proud of making it to a zone level. The students all participated to the best of their ability, cheered on their fellow team mates and congratulated their competitions at the end of each event.

Newport achieved excellent results in both the track and field events including:

Junior shot put: Jonah Watkins 1st, Tyson Cogan 2nd, Louisa Mitchell 2nd and Chloe Sheppard 3rd

11 years shot put: Link Beggs 1st, Ashlie Edwards 1st

12/13 years shot put: Tara Stuart 3rd

Junior long jump: Olivia Alvarez 1st, Emma Lowry 2nd

11 years long jump: Link Beggs 1st

Junior high jump: Grace Carroll 1st

12/13 years high jump: Alice Mitchell 2nd

Luke Stidwell, Link Beggs and Olivia Alvarez all won the 100m race for their age group.

Wilson Hall and Jaimon Smith both came 2nd in the 200m for their age division and Link finished 3rd.

In the 100m relays the Junior Boys and Senior Girls both finished 3rd and the Junior Girls finished 1st.
In the 800m, Marlie Smith won the junior event, Mac Omm won the 11 years and Zac Barnabas came 2nd in the 12/13 years event
Newport Public School won the Overall Raw Score trophy for the 3rd year in a row. Well done!
We would like to thank Katie Edwards for giving up her time each Monday morning to help train our sprinters. Her efforts were instrumental in Newport's success.
Congratulations and well done! Good luck to those students who are participating at the Sydney North Carnival next Monday!

Greg Moran

RUGBY UNION NEWS

Bryan Palmer Shield

Congratulations to our senior rugby union team for winning the Bryan Palmer shield last Wednesday. Playing at Forshaw Park Sylvania, the team won their semi-final against Kingscliff, 19 to 5 and then the grand-final against Dubbo South, 55 to 12. It was extremely pleasing to be involved with a team who improved so dramatically throughout the season. Mr Aroney said that the team improved more throughout the year than any other that he had coached. Everyone in the team worked extremely hard at training each week, supported their team mates throughout every game and always showed respect for their opposition and referees. Special mention goes to Zac Barnabas, the team's captain, earning the referee's player of the match in the grand-final.

I would like to thank Peter Aroney and John Walsh for coaching this team each week and attending all the games. The team's success is directly related to their commitment and rugby expertise. I would also like to thank all the parents who have supported the team throughout the year, especially Steve Hansen who supplied the bus and drinks for us last Wednesday.

Next year we have six boys from this team who will be able to play with us again and some great up and coming talent from the junior years. This title is the ninth Bryan Palmer shield won by Newport. With a little bit of luck we may be able to win our tenth title in 2014.

7-a-side Ruby Gala Day

This Tuesday 68 boys made up nine teams that competed in the Warringah 7-a-side Ruby Gala Day. The mixed ability senior and junior teams played extremely well throughout the entire day. Although we weren't outright winners of any of the competitions all the boys has a fantastic experience. The boys' behaviour and sportsmanship was excellent and they can be proud of the way they represented themselves and their school. Thank you Mr Hill and Mr Aroney for your support.

This concludes a very rewarding and enjoyable rugby season.

Regards,
Adam Hearne

FRIDAY SCHOOL SPORT

If your child is in 3-6 and is not involved in the summer Primary School Sports Association (PSSA) Program they will receive outlining their choices for Friday Sport. We would appreciate your guidance in helping your child to choose one activity for sport this term before **Friday 13th September** when we will hand out specific notes for their chosen sports.

Term 4 Friday school sport runs from from **Friday 11th October to Friday 29th November (8 week program)**.

Permission and money should be handed into **the office** by **Friday 20nd September** or they will not be able to participate. Please note that we must have a minimum of 30 students for each activity to proceed. To avoid disappointment please choose an alternative just in case the first choice is not available.

MUSIC NEWS

Fundraising. Thank you to those who have volunteered to help at the Election Day BBQ this Saturday and/or the Disco BBQ next Thursday. If you have not volunteered, but have time to help, it is not too late! Please contact Jenny Geeves at jjgeeves@tpg.com.au, I'm sure the fundraising team will be happy to hear from you.

Music Committee Meeting. The Music Committee will be meeting on Thursday (5/9/13) at 7.30pm in the main staff room. Everybody welcome.

Dates for Diary

5 th Sept	Performance Band playing in assemblies
5 th Sept	Music Committee Meeting
7 th Sept	Election Day – BBQ fundraiser
8 th Sept	Performance Band and Stage Band playing at the NSSWE Spring Festival at Chatswood Concourse. Performance Band to arrive 6.15pm for 7.00pm concert.
12 th Sept	Concert Band playing at assembly
12 th Sept	School Disco - BBQ fundraiser
17 th Sept	Violin 2s playing at assembly
19 th Sept	Violin 1s playing at assembly

"The Stage Band and Performance Band are playing at The Concourse, Chatswood on Sunday 8th September. While the outdoor concert at Chatswood is free (that is the Stage Band session at 5.50pm), the concert that Performance Band is playing in starting at 7.00pm in the Concert Hall requires tickets to be purchased in advance if you intend to watch - either via Ticketek at www.ticketek.com.au or from The Concourse Box Office in person Monday to Friday.

Tickets are \$19.50 per adult, \$15.00 per child up to age 15 and \$60.00 for a family (booking fees apply)

Parents of PB and SB children, please do make sure you have read the information and map that Fiona sent out previously about where to drop and pick up your child, they will not be released from the Stage Door. Our children have to be dropped at Muster Point E at 6.00pm with their instrument, music, a light snack and water bottle. Children will not be allowed to leave until the concert is over. During the concert and interval the children will be in the dress circle with supervisors and conductor - after the concert they go first to their warm up room to collect belongings and then to the muster point.

This is Sydney's newest venue and it is apparently very special, so it will be a great experience for the children".

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Summer Uniform

Unbelievably, there is only just over two weeks to go before the end of term. Now's the time to purchase summer uniforms. The uniform shop will be open only two more weeks before the end of Term.

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.

CANTEEN NEWS

Nexts Week's Roster

Monday Sept 9th: J Masters, S Law, K Maguire

Tuesday Sept 10th: Gail Andrews

Wednesday Sept 11th: J Newton

Thursday Sept 12th: E links, D Giddy, A Hunt, t Langton

Friday Sept 13th: A Upton, m burk, T Berkley, K Ginsburg, K Searl, L Brown

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

Sushi - there is now a tab on the Flexischools menu for soy sauce. If you like soy with your sushi, make sure you tick this box!

If you bring ice blocks to school for birthdays, can you please try to remember to pick up any extra ones that are left as I have a freezer of 1/2 boxes that I cannot hold on to.

Just a reminder to any one that still has outstanding money owing to the canteen for forgotten or lost lunch if you could please fix this up with the canteen. many thanks

The canteen would like to send a HUGE thank you to Aaron Links from **WINNING APPLIANCES**. Aaron has helped the canteen purchase a dishwasher and made it very easy and without complication.

WINNING APPLIANCES can help with all your needs big or small. So let help support the businesses that are supporting our school. www.winningappliances.com.au Thanks again Aaron and Winning Appliances.



VOTE

at NEWPORT SCHOOL

COME FOR BREAKFAST OR LUNCH

Saturday 7th September 8.00am – 1.00pm

Bacon and Egg Rolls

Sausage in a Roll

Chips, Soft drinks and Poppas

**All proceeds go towards
Newport Public School Music Program**

Please tear off and return slip to the office

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Dear Margaret,

I would like to help at the **WORKING BEE** on Saturday, 14th September 2013.

Parent's Name: _____

Child's Name & Class: _____

Specific Skill or Project (if applicable): _____

YOUNG WRITER'S AWARD

Dragonflies

Dragonflies are a type of insect. They are cold blooded.

A dragonfly has three body parts, head, thorax and abdomen. A dragonfly has two small antennae.

A dragonfly has a life cycle, it begins like this; An adult dragonfly lays eggs in freshwater. The eggs hatch into nymphs. Then the nymphs swim around eating mosquitos, flies tadpoles and small animals. Then the nymphs shed their skin and turn into an adult dragonfly.

Dragonflies live near rivers, swamps or ponds.

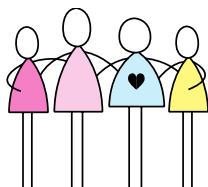
The adult dragonfly flies. The nymph lives and swims in water.

A dragonfly has an exoskeleton. That means it has a skeleton on the outside of its body.

By Elijah Dent 1JJ

Healthy party drink idea

- Fruit spritzers are a fun alternative to soft drink for parties and social events, and so easy to make! Just mix $\frac{1}{2}$ fruit juice and $\frac{1}{2}$ soda water!
- Or why not freeze juice in ice cube trays to add to mineral or still water for a nice fruity taste!



MUMS for MUMS

THANK YOU

On behalf of *Mums for Mums*, we would like to thank you for your generous donation and support of our recent Cocktail Party fundraising event on Saturday 24th August.

The total amount raised was an astounding \$25,500.

As you know, the event was organised to raise funds in support of families of children at Newport Public School who are going through tough times of critical illness or loss.

It is only with the support of both our local businesses and community that we were able to achieve such a wonderful outcome for these families.

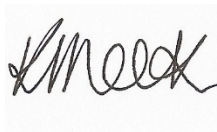
It was a wonderful night described as "absolute fun" with 175 people dancing the night away to the L90s' Band. Our excellent MC Jason Hodges and our auctioneer Gordon Spring from L J Hooker Newport added their great energy and passion to the festivities.

Our sponsors are legendary, donating an enviable array of prizes for fundraising - the gifts seemed to just keep coming thanks to the many generous businesses and individuals that contributed as listed below.

We also took the opportunity to air our Mums for Mums new film on the night to help show how our community can come together and make a difference. Thank you to Winning Appliances for their generosity and expertise to pull it together for us and the families who shared their stories. It makes us all proud to be part of our community.

Thank you once again for a memorable and special night. It was a wonderful celebration of our community spirit and we are inspired for next year's event.

Kind regards



Katrina Meek
President



Newport Quality Behaviour Program

Meet the Characters from 'You Can Do It'



At Newport, as part of our whole school Quality Behaviour Program, our students have been learning about the characters from the 'You Can Do It' program. These characters are designed to help students develop positive social-emotional-motivational attitudes towards themselves and their learning.

Pete and Penny Persistence

Oscar and Olivia Organisation

Gabby and Gary Get Along

Connie and Charlie Confidence

Rosie and Ricky Resilience.

Over the next few weeks we will introduce these characters to you so that you too can refer to them at home.

This week we are going to meet 'Pete and Penny Persistence'.

Persistence is to keep on trying when things seem hard or not fun. Persistence means trying hard and not giving up when something feels like it's too difficult or boring.

Positive habits of mind that help to develop a young person's Persistence include:

- **I Can Do It** – thinking that I am more likely to be successful than I am to fail.
- **Giving effort** – the harder I try the more successful I will be.
- **Working Tough** – thinking that in order to be successful in the future, I sometimes have to do things that are not easy or fun in the present.

Pete Persistence



Penny Persistence



She is a "trier." She never, ever gives up and she thinks to herself, "If I try really hard, I'll get it sooner or later."

She gives everything a go.

She tries hard and doesn't give up on things, even if they are hard or boring.

She knows that some things she has to do might be boring but she still does them until they are finished.

disco BBQ

Thursday 12th September

Support our School Bands!

- Sausage sandwich~\$3. 50
- Sausage sandwich and popper~ \$5.00
- Packet of chips~\$1.00





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FUN & FUNKY DISCO

Dear Families,

Newport will be hosting another of our FANTABULOUS discos on **Thursday 12th September**.

Tickets are **\$5** each and will be sold outside the front office before school during the week of the disco or can be purchased at the door (please bring exact change). All proceeds from the disco will go to the Literacy Backpacks Project. There will be a BBQ (sausage sandwiches) with proceeds going to school bands.



The theme for the disco is '**Fun & Funky**'. It is an opportunity to raid your wardrobe and dress up box and come dressed in the funnest, funkier outfit you have! (Don't forget to wear your dancing shoes!!)

Please note: Glow sticks are not allowed for safety reasons. We would also ask that students wear appropriate footwear (no high heels and no bare chests!)



Times for the disco are as follows:

Kindy: 4:45 – 5:30pm

Yr 1 & 2: 5:45 – 6:30pm

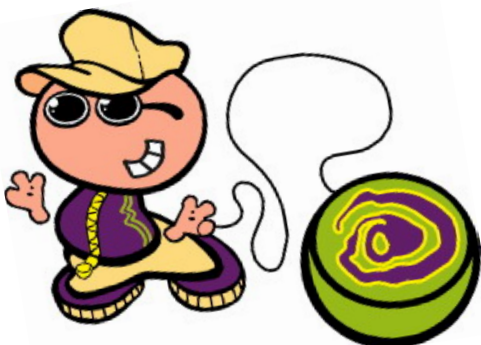
Yr 3 & 4: 6:45 – 7:45pm

Yr 5 & 6: 8:00 – 9:00 pm

Many thanks,

Emily Jefferys & Brian Franki
Disco Organisers

Anthony Moran
Deputy Principal





NEWPORT OUTSIDE of SCHOOL HOURS CARE

OPEN: 7am – 9.00am & 3.30pm – 6.30pm
SCHOOL TERM ONLY

 **02 9979 9874**

A HUGE THANK YOU

to those parents in Year 4 who notified us that your child was attending camp on Thursday & Friday last week.

ABSENTEE REMINDER

Every term when "special school activities" (i.e camp, hat parade, swimming carnival, athletics carnival, excursions and so forth) occur several children do not arrive and staff spend considerable time searching school grounds and then endeavouring to contact parents to verify that children are safe and accounted for. I'm sure that you can appreciate our concerns and require your assistance to ensure the safety of your child and that legal obligation is upheld.

In addition if your child is absent for any reason or collected from school sick, parents **MUST** notify NOOSHC that the child will be absent.
(The school does not contact us it is your responsibility to do so).

Re **DISCO** on Thursday September 12 2013

NOOSHC will not have use of the school hall on Thursday Sept 12 due to the disco please collect your child from the centre.

Parents please note if your child has a booked place on Thursday after school care and they are NOT going to attend as usual **PLEASE** notify the centre **ASAP** (preferably before 2.30pm Thursday).

IMPORTANT: **Dropping off and picking up your child from NOOSHC** by an authorised person.

Children **MUST** be signed IN & OUT (with time) by a person over 16 years of age.
(This is a legal requirement & NOOSHC policy).

Upon arrival please *personally* hand your child over to staff - and again on departure please *personally* notify staff that you are collecting your child and remember to sign them out. Unfortunately some parents are calling or signaling their child from across the playground and then leave without signing the child out or advising staff.

NOOSHC provides essential, convenient, quality before and after school care on-site, enabling parents / carers to work, undertake study/training or other activities, with the knowledge that their child/ren are being well cared for in a safe, healthy and happy environment. The centre offers before and after school care during the school term. Your child/ren must be enrolled with NOOSHC to use the centre on either a permanent or casual basis.

We have an open door policy - so drop in at any time to have a look and enquiry about our program.

Enrolment enquiries please drop in or phone our Centre Manager Jo Newton ☎02 9979 9874

ALL WELCOME

NOOSHC
Parent & Committee
Meeting

**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 10
7.00PM**

at the NOOSHC centre.

Drinks & nibbles.

Come along and have a say
~ this is your centre as well.