

NEWPORT NATTER



NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Thursday 13th November 2014

RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

2015 Strategic Planning

On Thursday evening, 20th November we will be running our first community consultation workshop to help us build a shared vision for Newport Public School moving towards 2020 and beyond. Rob Stokes will speak at the workshop before parents and teachers engage in activities to help set our vision. The workshop will start at 7.30pm. All families will be receiving invites to this event shortly. In preparation for the workshop please consider this question. What skills will students need to learn to ensure they are productive, global citizens in the future?

Year 5 Leadership Program and Formal Leadership Selection Processes

Currently, Year 5 is involved in lessons every Wednesday afternoon to learn leadership skills to equip them in their role as leaders of the school next year. Part of this program will teach the students the skills they will need to work in formal leadership positions. The election processes for school, house, band and ferry captains will be commencing soon. Year 5 students will be advised of the specific dates and requirements soon. I'd like to wish all those aiming for a formal leadership position for next year the very best of luck..

Scripture Christmas Show

Our end of year scripture show will be held this coming Tuesday 18th November during the students' usual scripture times. At this time of year I like to express our gratitude to all the volunteer scripture and ethics teachers. We truly appreciate their commitment to teaching our students throughout the year. Our last scripture and ethics classes will be on Tuesday 25th November.

Helpers' Morning Tea

Our helpers' morning tea will be next this Tuesday 25th November at 11am. It's during this time we like to formally thank all the parents who have contributed to the students' learning throughout the year. Although there is an invitation later in this Natter, I would personally like to invite everyone who has helped enrich the lives of our students by volunteering their time at school this year.

Year 5 Visit to Pittwater High School

Last Monday, Year 5 visited Pittwater High School and was involved in a whole day of high school lessons. They were privileged to see the excellent teachers and facilities at the school first hand. From talking to the students they learned a lot on the day, and although it is over 12 months away, are really looking forward to high school. Please see the full report latter in this Natter.

Year 6 Camp

Next week Year 6 is heading to the Great Aussie Bush Camp for four days of team building lessons. They will be put out of their comfort zones in the outdoor activities and will learn a lot about themselves and the people they work with. I'm sure they will have a very enjoyable, rewarding experience and I'm looking forward to hearing all about it on their return.

Year 3 and 4 First Aid Lessons

Earlier this week, Year 3 and 4 students were involved in First Aid lessons run by the St John's Ambulance. The children learned vital knowledge to equip them with the skills to help other people in an emergency situation. There is a more detailed report latter in the Natter. I would like to thank Mrs Shane Clements for organising this very worthwhile initiative.

Are You Leaving Us?

At this time of year we are well into our planning for 2015. We would appreciate knowing if your child/children will not be returning to Newport PS in 2015. This information is important for our class organisation and staffing for next year. We also need to know if your child/children are returning to Newport after the start of the 2015 school year. 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 2015 class. Please send the information to the office.

Dogs at School

I would like to remind parents that dogs are not allowed on the school grounds. This is a standard policy of the Department of Education and Communities and is set in place for the safety of all children. Please refrain from bringing your dog onto the school grounds, or tying them up to the school fence. We would hate for any child to be bitten by someone else's pet.

Music Information Evening, Thursday 13th November 6.30pm School Hall

As mentioned last week, Newport Public School is privileged to have a great Music Program. The current Program includes about 159 students participating in 7 ensembles; 3 string ensembles and 4 wind bands. That's nearly a quarter of students from Year 1 to 6 involved in music tuition at our school. The String Program is available for students from Year 1 onwards and the Band Program for Year 3 onwards. Tonight night 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. I would encourage everyone to attend.

Regards, Anthony Moran Relieving Principal

Dates for your diary

Mon 17 th -Thurs 20 th Nov	Year 6 Camp	
Tues 25 th Nov	Newport Helpers' Morning Tea	
Tues 25 th Nov	P&C Meeting 7pm in the library	
Wed 26 th Nov	Year 6 Lifesaving Program 9.25am-1.30pm Newport Beach	
Thurs 27 th Nov	Year 4 XMAS Markets	
Tues 2 nd Dec	Year 6 Lifesaving Program 9.25am-1.30pm Newport Beach	
Wed 3 rd Dec	School Tour 10.30am	
Thurs 4 th Dec	Evening Concert at Pittwater High School	
Fri 5 th Dec	Evening Concert at Pittwater High School	
Mon 8 th Dec	Kindergarten Presentation in the School Hall	
Tues 9 th Dec	Year 6 Lifesaving Program 9.25am-1.30pm Newport Beach	
Wed 10 th Dec	Presentation Assembly at Pittwater High School Yrs1-6	
Thurs 11 th Dec	Year 6 Lifesaving Program 9.25am-1.30pm Newport Beach	
Fri 12 th Dec	Mufti Day for students	
Mon 15 th Dec	Year 6 Graduation Dinner in the School Hall	
Tues 16 th Dec	Picnic Day K-6	
Wed 17 th Dec	Last day for students	

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

KOP	James Catterson, Denver Paul	2BG	Jake Clarke, Holly Tulloch	
KAJ	Pearl Pride, Madison Schooley	3LW	Lily Playle, Ruby Kennedy	
KEP	Megan Fisher, Jason Bloomer		Lachlan Francis, Harrison Riddle	
KJP	Kaitlin Mulligan, Joe Warren	3AR	Sienna Sinfield, Tom Tullet	
KEJ	Ela Murphy, Ryan Wilkinson 3R		Joseph Moy, Kai Dryden	
KMG	Joshua Walter, Alexandra Watton	4NE	Holly Hunt, Tully Heather	
1SN	Jada Brown, Grace Osborne	4GM		
1JJ	Corey Schwerdtfeger, Molly Jones	4LC	Fynn George, Josie Moore	
1DD	Harry Letts, Lily Reid	4SC	Charlie Bentley, Arshvir Singh	
1AD	Maya Kinsman, Luka Tailby	5AW	Sarah Wheeler, Wil Colless	
1JB	Madison May, Zara Duffield	5JL	Nina Lindley, Daniel Wheeler	
1CC	Katya Benschop, Kealan Giddy	5/6AH	Charli Yeats, Dominic Murphy	
2JF	Asha Watkin, Kobie Searles	5SM	Hayley Carter, Tyger Cox	
2BN	Olivia Bourke, Toby Harper	6KK	Annalena Bartnitzky, Kyle Ambrosius	
2AM	Jacob Harder, Amelia Boss	6IW	Jasper Frost, Madison Walsh	
2SC	Lachlan Zaraza, Zara McCauley	6IM	Dylan Shah, Emily Moy	

FIRST AID COURSE

On the 10th and 11th November Year 3 and 4 attended a first aid course held by St John's Ambulance in our school hall. The short course covered what do in an emergency, how to contact help using emergency services and other vital information that was useful in emergency situations. The students learnt that checking the surrounding area for danger before attempting to help someone was very important. They realised the importance of knowing their address and phone number and how to put an unconscious person in the recovery position. We would like to thank Maria who was the volunteer from St John Ambulance who ran the course.

Mrs Shane Clements

High School for a day!

Year 5 is on a roll! On Monday all of Year 5 spent the day at Pittwater High School (PHS) for a high school experience day. We had to meet at the school at 8:30am, quite an early start for some students! The students were then allocated to groups and were led around by some wonderful PHS Year 9 students. All of Year 5 spent a period making delicious raspberry muffins in Food Technology and meeting the animals in Agriculture. Year 5 also experienced a variety of other subjects such as Maths, Science, History, English, Drama, French and Woodwork. We had our recess, lunch and even afternoon tea there and were treated to a concert showcasing the dancers and musicians of PHS. It was a wonderful day and a great introduction to high school for all our students.

Year 5 Teachers



LIBRARY NEWS

Now is the time to start looking for misplaced/lost library books. **All library books will need to be returned to the library by the end of Week 8** (Friday 28th November), in preparation for our end-of-year stocktake.

Stephanie Bracey, Sally Morgan and Rita Ericsson.

BOOK FAIR! BOOK FAIR!

Our Book Fair is in the library today, **Thursday 13th November**, **from 3.30 – 7.00 pm**. All books are discounted, some greatly. Why not do some early Christmas shopping and help the library at the same time – the more books you buy, the more books we get.

Eftpos and credit card facilities will be available (Visa and Mastercard only). If you cannot attend in person, credit card payment slips are on the back of the 'wish lists' and can be sent to school with your child/ren (or cash or cheques made out to 'Carnival Fairs') on Thursday or Friday. Alternatively, you can now pay on-line at the Carnival Fairs website.

You, your family and friends are most welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

Stephanie Bracey, Sally Morgan and Rita Ericsson.



The New NSW English Syllabus for the Australian Curriculum



OUTCOMES	CONTENT		
EN2-2A plans, composes and reviews a range of texts that are more demanding in terms of topic, audience and language	emanding in terms of topic, texts containing key information and supporting details for a		
EN2-3A uses effective handwriting and publishes texts using digital technologies	Use a range of software including word processing programs to construct, edit and publish written text, and select, edit and place visual, print and audio elements.		
EN2-9B uses effective and accurate sentence structure, grammatical features, punctuation conventions and vocabulary relevant to the type of text when responding to and composing texts	Incorporate new vocabulary from a range of sources into students' own texts including vocabulary encountered in research.		

MUSIC NEWS

Music Information Evening; Our Information Evening for 2014 is taking place tonight (13th November) at 6.30pm in the hall. 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 chance to ask questions and get the best answers. There will be an opportunity to register on the night but it is totally obligation free.

Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Wednesday 19th November at 7.00pm at the Royal Motor Yacht Club. A number of parents who have children in Year 6 will be leaving us this year and we always welcome new faces. Joining the Music Committee is a great way to meet new people and become involved. Please come and see what it's all about

Dates for Diary

13th November 15th November Music Information Evening. 6.30pm in school hall

Avalon Market Day. All wind ensembles will be performing between

11.00am and 12.00 noon. Full band uniform required.

19th November Annual General Meeting. All welcome.

25th November Combined Twilight Concert Rehearsal. Starting at 8.30am. All ensembles.

25th November Twilight Concert. Pittwater High School starting with BBQ at 6.00pm.

27th November School Disco BBQ. Parent helpers required.

11th & 12th Dec Auditions for Concert Band students who would like to move into the Performance Band.

Audition times will be organised by your Band Manager

11th & 12th Dec Instrument Return, 8,00am to 9,15am outside school hall.

UNWANTED SCHOOL UNIFORMS

The office is in desperate need of second hand school uniforms for spares. If you have any you could donate it would be much appreciated.

TO OUR HELPERS. SCRIPTURE AND ETHICS TEACHERS



THE STAFF OF NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO A MORNING TEA

AT 11AM ON TUESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER ON THE VERANDAH OF THE HALL.



THE MORNING TEA IS HOSTED BY THE STAFF TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO OUR SCHOOL.

Canteen news

It is that time again for next year's roster to be done.

The new roster is up in the canteen if you would like to come and help in 2015.

Please come and add your name, or email me at newportschoolcanteen@hotmail.com

Thanks again:)

Mon 17th Nov: J Masters, S Law, S carter, K McGuire

Tues 18th Nov: P Hitchman, J Pepper, K Ryan, F Wilson, K Ginsburg

Wed 19th Nov: M Smith, M Oakley, L May

Thurs 20th Nov: S Lowe, V Brown, C Thomas, V Gordon Fri 21st Nov: A Surfeild, J Parums, M Ramsey, N Simpson



Christmas Pudding & Gingerbread House Fundraiser

It's that time of the year again!!! With only weeks till Christmas it is time to order your puddings or gingerbread houses.

Tammy in the canteen is making puddings $\&\ \mbox{gingerbread}$ houses.

The puddings come in three sizes:

250g (perfect teacher gifts), 500g or 1 kg.
Gingerbread house comes in two styles
Family sleigh with reindeers
Or family size house

If you would like to order, please fill in the form below and return to Tammy in the canteen, with the correct money <u>no</u>

<u>later than Monday 1st December</u>

Thank you for your participation and enjoy your Christmas goodies

Merry Christmas

The fundraising team

Name:

Туре	Size	Price	Total
Pudding	250g	\$17	
Pudding	500g	\$25	
Pudding	1kg	\$35	
Gingerbread Sleigh	Family	\$45	
Gingerbread house	Family	\$45	

Gluten Free (add \$3.00)

Join the Training Band in 2015

Information Night Thursday 13th November 6:30pm

Newport's music program commenced in 1991 with 15 students and since then it has steadily evolved and currently boasts seven instrumental ensembles consisting of 3 wind bands and 3 string ensembles plus a stage band.

The Training Band, as the name indicates, is for beginners or children starting an additional instrument. The Training Band practices each Wednesday from 7.10 to 8.20am. Please note that the canteen opens around 8.30am and offers a breakfast menu for band kids.

Children may enter the Training Band or String Orchestra from Year 3, however it is never too late and older students are encouraged to join also.

If you are interested please come along to our Information Night

- Registrations
- Information on Instrument allocation
- Instrument demonstrations
- Instrument Hire information

Queries

John Stone (musical director) johnnomuzik@hotmail.com or Fiona Gudmunson (president) fqudmunson@biqpond.com

Special*Free Instrument Hire*** Save \$200**

The Music Program is offering free instrument hire for Trombones, Tuba, Euphonium, Bassoon and Bass Clarinet Newport Public Term 4 2014

It's time

to consider volunteering for the Music Committee

Whether you can commit to a specific position or would just like to offer a few hours to help on an ad hoc basis, we would welcome you to the Music Committee



What makes the Music Program so special

In 2014, 159 children participated in the Newport Public School Music Program. That equates to 23% of children from Years 1 to 6. The Program costs \$100,000 to run of which registration and Band Camp fees cover 75%. The P & C Association generously contributes \$5,000 and the remaining deficit we try to cover through fundraising.

With seven ensembles – V1, V2, String Orchestra, Training Band, Concert Band, Performance Band and Stage Band, the Music Committee is always on the look out for new recruits. We need help with managing instrument hire, supporting rehearsals and performances, equipment transportation, fundraising and social activities. You can take on a specific role or help on an as needs basis, when and where it suits you.

To find out more, join us at this year's AGM meeting on Wednesday, 19 November at 7.00pm at The Royal Motor Yacht Club, 46 Prince Alfred Parade, Newport and hear about how you could help over a glass of wine and some nibbles. Not only will we appreciate your help, but your child and the rest of the children in the Music Program will love your involvement too.

The Music Committee

Key events

Sydney Several members of the Opera Strings Orchestra played House at this iconic venue

NSSWE Performance Band and Stage Band played at Chatswood Concourse

Festivals Selected festivals such as the NSW Schools Bands

Festiva1

Band 100+ children, intensive Camp development

Camp development

PCS All bands play at PCS and school events such as concerts & assemblies



Positions vacant: Fundraising committee members, instrument hire manager, graphic designer, on call helpers



NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

Join the Violin Program in 2015

The Newport School Instrumental Music Program boasts 7 instrumental ensembles consisting of 4 wind bands and 3 string ensembles

The Violin ensembles represent a wonderful introduction to music for younger children, and they can join in Year 1 or Year 2. The children begin in the 'V1' class, and move into the 'V2' class the following year.

Rehearsals are Tuesday & Thursday mornings 8:20am to 9:20am

Parents are very much encouraged to stay and be involved in the lessons - this benefits both the tutors and your child!

After graduating from Violin program, children can move into the String Orchestra (on Violin or another string instrument such as Cello or Double Bass) or join the Training Band on a wind instrument

Classes are capped at 12 students so places are limited Cost is \$580 for the entire year, which can be paid in 2 instalments

For more information and to register please come along to our

Music Information Night Thursday 13th November 6:30pm

Additional registrations forms will be attached to the Natter

Musical activities provide children with important experiences, which can help them develop physical co-ordination, timing, memory, visual, aural and language skills.

Queries: Megan Moxham

mocnnegs@bigpond.com

NoosHC

NSEHC T/A NEWPORT OUTSIDE of SCHOOL HOURS CARE

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

2 02 9979 9874

2015 Enrolments at NOOSHC for both permanent and casual positions.

It's coming to that time of the year again – all families should have received the enrolment packs for 2015 – if you have not received same please contact NOOSHC immediately as they are due back by Friday November 7th (current families) & new enrolments by Friday Nov 14.

Any enrolments (current & new) made after these dates will be received and placed on the waitlist list in order of submission.

If your child is not currently enrolled and you would like a 2015 Enrolment package for your new kindy (2015) or current NPS student please ring or drop into the centre and collect an enrolment package.

Association Membership / Registration fee \$ 40.00 per family (annual)

Please ensure that when returning your enrolments packages that you include the association membership / registration fee so that your placement can be processed.

Enrolment packages will not be accepted unless ALL components are fully completed.

Enrolments packages are also reviewed each year to ensure that all required information is detailed on the forms/brochure etc — the 2015 forms have been updated in line with the Education & Care Services National Regulations and have new additional information required included on them.

Please ensure that each child has an individual enrolment package – this is filed under the various individual groupings of "K" (Kindergarten)

"I" (Yrs 1 & 2) and "P" (Yrs 3, 4,5 & 6)

– especially important for staff to easily access if your child does not turn up at care and we need to contact you ASAP.

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.

All enquiries should be directed to: Centre Manager - Jo Newton or Assistant Centre Manager - Judy Longworth 202 9979 9874

ALL WELCOME



Parent & Committee Meeting dates for 2014

Term 4 Week 4 – Tuesday 28 October (PMC only)

Term 4 Week 9

- Tuesday 2 December
- 7.00pm

AGM (election of PMC – if you are interested in joining the PMC ask Jo for info and nomination form

- & End of year celebration.
- Thursday December 116.30pm

Drinks & nibbles.

Please RSVP by Friday the week prior to meeting.