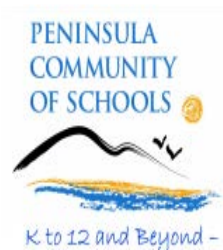




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NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday 7th May 2014

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

National Assessment Program – Years 3 and 5 Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th

Next week students in Years 3 and 5 will take the 2014 NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australia children. All students are expected to participate in the tests. NAPLAN tests fundamental skills rather than specific content, and as such is not a test for which students can study or drill. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day. The use of services by coaching providers is not recommended. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued later this year.

It is important that students attend all three days and arrive promptly at school. Assessments will start first thing each morning. Two tests are held on Tuesday and one each on Wednesday and Thursday.

PSSA Winter competition

Our PSSA representative teams have been selected for the up and coming winter competition. Ms Brandenburg and Mrs Windon will coach the girls' netball, Mr Hearne will coach the senior rugby league, Ms Blazejewski will coach the junior rugby league, Mrs Keogh the senior girls' soccer and Mr Moran the senior boys' soccer. A draw and permission note will be sent home this week and payment needs to be made before the start of the competition on Friday 9th May. Good luck to all our representative teams this season.

Friday Afternoon Sport ~ Term 2/3 2014

School sport will run differently to previous years over the next two terms. Teachers will run a six week program in Term 2 and a six week program in Term 3. The reason for this change is to allow children to experience a greater range of sporting activities and reduce the cost associated with longer programs. Also, it is a focus of the school sport programs to build skills in children to help them play the same sports as those children in representative PSSA teams. Programs like netball, soccer, tee-ball and Pittwater Tag skills are free and are aimed at building those fundamental skills to increase children's confidence when trialing for school representative teams. We would appreciate your guidance in helping your child choose one activity for Term 2 and one activity for Term 3. Both sports need to be selected by children at school on Friday 9th May and payment for both made to the office by Wednesday 14th May.

Kindergarten 2015 Information Presentations

Last night we had the first of our Information sessions for Parents of children starting Kindergarten in 2015. The purpose of the evening was to give an overview of our school, including our beliefs and values about education and student learning, as well as some practical information about Orientation and what happens between now and the first day next year. For those of us who know the school so well, it is always a wonderful opportunity to reflect on our achievements and meet many of the new families who will be joining our community next year. Our next information session will be held on Wednesday 21st May, where our Performance Band and current Kindergarten students will be performing. Following this, we have a school tour on Monday 26th May at 9.40am. If you have a child starting in 2015, we hope to see you at one of these events.

Interrelate Program

We have booked the Interrelate Program to present to parents and students together (Yrs 3-6), over one evening on Tuesday 26th August (Term 3 Week 7). Interrelate is a specialist organisation with 85 years experience teaching sexuality education in NSW schools. The sessions titled "Where did I come from?" and "Preparing for Puberty" are interactive, family focused and presented in the context of caring relationships. More details including the cost and payment form, will be included later in the term.

New English Syllabus Snapshot

This year is the year that NSW schools are implementing the new English Curriculum. Over the past 12 months, the staff has been working on familiarizing themselves with the differences in the new syllabus and designing teaching/learning programs around concepts supported by quality texts including those presented in multimedia format. Some of the aspects of learning being emphasized throughout the new syllabus document includes, students reflecting on their learning and developing the skills and language to be able to articulate this, teaching through concepts, thinking in ways that are imaginative, creative, interpretive and critical, as well as expressing themselves and their relationships with others and their world. You might find some of these aspects being reported on in our semester 1 reports. For more information about the new curriculum, please go to <http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/australian-curriculum/>

Afternoon Reminder Bell

We have a 3.45pm bell which rings to tell students, whose parents have not yet picked them up, to report to the office. Children should report to the office where they can be safely supervised and parents contacted. Please remind your child of these arrangements. They can often become distressed when you are unavoidably held up.

Winter Uniform

It is for Terms 2 and 3 that we change over to our winter uniforms. Our uniform shop is open regularly for parents to purchase uniforms. We would ask that you support our own Uniform Shop, as it supports your child's school.

P&C Meeting

Tuesday 13th May

7.00pm in the library

Our next P&C meeting will be held next week. Whilst we have a strong core of parents who support this parent body it is great to have new parents come along. This is a great way to support your child's school. Become involved and learn more about the school.

Regards,

Margaret Charlton

Principal

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

KOP	Raphy Dailhou-Stieven, Millie Forster	2BG	Jack Alexander, Claire Hartley
KAJ	Hunter Mitchell, Isabella Flemming	3LW	Tia Simington, Anaia Cruickshank
KEP	Jason Bloomer, Tahlia Piddington	3KH	Luke Carter, Madeleine Neilson
KJP	Archie Pepper, Annabelle Sampson	3AR	Charlie Arnott, Alec Finkeldey
KEJ	Sophia Suttling, Louis Johns	3RB	Stella Blaiklock, Kai Dryden
KMG	Jake Jessop-Mrkic, Tash Barton	4NE	
1SN	Jada Brown, Max Eccles	4GM	Aaron Hughes, Claudia Fitzgerald
1JJ	Sienna Pangallo, Cael Melville	4LC	Anna Harris, Matthew Zabel
1DD	Matilda Reid, Indigo Hinton-West	4SC	Matthew Hurtle, Anna Hill
1AD	Tamara Bourke, Will McCreery	5AW	Lachlan Hanks, Ruby Abercromby
1JB	Jasper White, Mia Cox	5JL	Tom Cronan, Heather O'Sullivan
1CC	Jack Loughton-Smith, Jess Arthur	5/6AH	Jasmine Adams, Ethan Stidwill
2JF	Will Bryant, Alexandra Murray	5TD	Victoria Smyth-King, Alberto Meucci
2BN	Olivia Bourke, Stevie Norris	6KK	Tom Donohoe, Tyson Cogan
2AM	Aron Brennan, Charlie Polgar	6IW	Evie Robertson, Michael Hogan
2SC	Hayley Fisher, Jack Hannon	6IM	Dylan Shah, Erik Tinni

Dates for your diary

Tues 13th, Wed 14th, Thurs 15th May	NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5
Friday 16th May	P & C Trivia Night 6.30pm in the hall
Wednesday 21st May	Kinder 2015 Information Session 9.30am in the Hall
Thursday 29th May	Year 6 Cake Stall at recess
Mon 2nd-Wed 4th June	Year 5 Bathurst Camp
Monday 9th June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Wednesday 18th June	Kindy Farm excursion
Thursday 19th June	School Photos
Thursday 26th June	Year 3 Zoo excursion
Friday 27th June	Last day of term

BOOK CLUB 2014

All K-6 classes have received Issue 3 of Scholastic Book Club. All orders need to be placed in an envelope clearly marked **BOOK CLUB** with your child's NAME and CLASS. Cheques made payable to SCHOLASTIC and credit card payments are preferred. You can combine your orders and pay for them as one single payment. Credit card payments can be paid on-line or by phone and your receipt number needs to be recorded and sent back to school with your order. Please send K-2 orders to Mrs Falconer and 3-6 orders to the Library.

Orders are due back by **FRIDAY 9th May**

Please allow 2 weeks for your books to arrive.

If you have any questions, please see Mrs Falconer.

Book Club helps our school to purchase books and equipment for our Literacy programs.

Remember to **READ EVERY DAY THAT YOU EAT!**



STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE 2014

Please return the Stewart House envelopes to the school office on or before **Friday 9th May** to be in the running to win a \$4,000 family holiday.

Extra envelopes are available at the office

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Second-Hand Uniforms

Thank you to those parents who generously donate unwanted uniforms. We now have a good supply of second-hand uniforms. A second-hand hoodie is a great idea for winter – **and a bargain at just \$4!!!**

All profits from the Uniform Shop go to the P&C to spend on things such as teaching support staff and improvements to the school facilities.

Our Suppliers

Where possible, we try to support local business and are currently receiving many of our Uniforms from a Brookvale supplier, manufacturing in Australia. We have found the service to be excellent and the prices competitive. Some price comparisons:

School hats/caps – Other retailers \$15. Our price \$12

Sport Shirts – Other retailers \$31. Our price \$25

Boys Long Sleeve Shirts

The Uniform shop has started stocking small quantities of long sleeve shirts for boys. Simply order online at flexischools.com.au or buy during our Monday or Tuesday open.

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**.

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

Mon 12 May: N Sampson, V Watkins, K Meek, M Langley

Tues 13 May: R Wilson, T Brown, C McCauley, A Robinson

Wed 14 May: M Stidwell, K Davis

Thurs 15 May: N Mikic, E Fleming, J Pride

Friday 16 May: A Upton, T Burkley, J Lobb, N Jones



MUSIC NEWS

Music Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th May in the main staff room starting at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Dates for Diary

14th May

19th May

21st May

21–22nd June

23rd June

18–20th July

10th August

Music Committee Meeting. 7.30pm main staffroom.

Combined rehearsal for String Opera House performance

Performance Band playing for Kindy visit

Northern Beaches Music Festival. Dates on times for each ensemble to be confirmed.

Senior members of String Orchestra playing at Opera House.

Music Camp

Performance Band playing at NSW Music Festival, Kensington



Contact: Sharon Oscroft Phone: 9999 3588 Email: Sharon.arkell1@det.nsw.edu.au

Address: Stuart Street Newport NSW 2106

If you don't have internet access, fill in your details below (Book Membership only):

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I would like to order _____ Sydney Greater West Entertainment™ Book(s) at \$65 each (including GST) POSTAGE ENCLOSED
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Thank you for supporting Newport Public School.
20% from each Membership sold contributes to our fundraising.

Newport timeline of events for Term 2 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 ~ 28th April SDD Day	29th April Students return	30th April ANZAC Ceremony	1st May Cross Country	2nd May
Week 2 ~ 5th May	6th May Kinder Information night 7pm in the library	7th May Bravehearts Child protection show K-2	8th May	9th May Blacktown Boys H.S Drama performance 9.30-10.15am in the hall
Week 3 ~ 12th May Sydney North dance auditions in the hall from 9am	13th May NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 No scripture K-6 P & C Meeting 7pm in the library	14th May NAPLAN	15th May NAPLAN	16th May Winter PSSA begins P&C Trivia Night
Week 4 ~ 19th May	20th May	21st May Yr 2 CSIRO Incursion Kinder information session in the hall 9.30am Maths Olympiad 1	22nd May Yr 2 CSIRO Incursion Pittwater Cross Country	23rd May
Week 5 ~ 26th May Rugby Gala day School tour for new parents 9.40am	27th May	28th May Arts North drama auditions KJP, KAJ, 4SC	29th May Year 6 fundraiser cake stall at recess	30th May
Week 6 ~ 2nd June Year 5 Bathurst Multicultural public speaking final @ Bilgola PS	3rd June Year 5 Bathurst	4th June Year 5 Bathurst UNSW Science competition	5th June	6th June Combined Zone KO day
Week 7 ~ 9th June QUEENS BIRTHDAY	10th June	11th June Maths Olympiad 2	12th June Sydney North Cross Country Disco	13th June
Week 8 ~ 16th June	17th June UNSW Writing competition P & C Meeting 7pm in the library	18th June Kindy Farm excursion	19th June School photos	20th June
Week 9 ~ 23rd June Year 4 CSIRO incursion Festival of Instrumental Music Concert Opera House	24th June	25th June Year 4 CSIRO incursion	26th June Y 3 Zoo excursion	27th June Last day of term No PSSA sport today

DO YOU KNOW WHO LOVED CHACHI?

DID YOU KNOW HOW TO 'WALK LIKE AN EGYPTIAN' ?

WELL THEN THIS NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL'S TRIVIA NIGHT IS FOR YOU!!!!

THE P&C FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO COME:

BACK TO THE 80'S

FOR 1 NIGHT ONLY!!

WEAR YOUR BEST STONE WASHED JEANS, CRIMP THAT HAIR AND JOIN US IN THE SCHOOL HALL ON 16TH MAY FROM 6.30 PM FOR A 7 PM START.

TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH FLEXISCHOOLS
(WWW.FLEXISCHOOLS.COM.AU) FROM APRIL 10 2014

TICKETS \$30 FOR A SINGLE OR \$200 FOR A TABLE OF EIGHT.

\$25.00 CHEESE PLATTERS AVAILABLE FOR PRE-ORDER

BYO EVERYTHING ELSE

ANY QUESTIONS? SEE TAMMY IN THE CANTEEN OR EMAIL
SHANI LAW (SHANILAW@HOTMAIL.COM)



2014 Newport Public School P&C Association Fundraising

Mother's Day Stall!

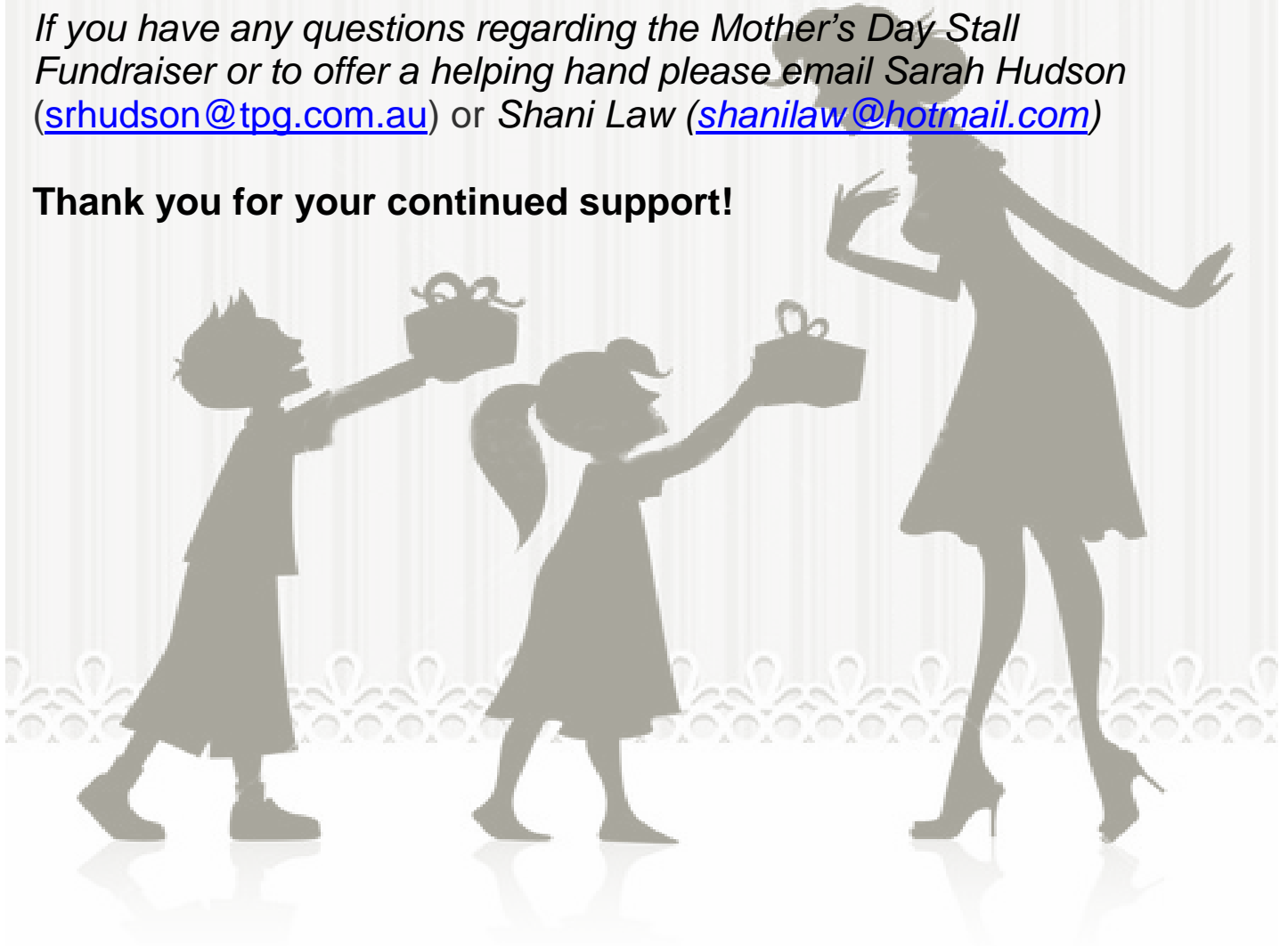
Thank you so much for all of your very kind donations. We have received so many wonderful gifts that our Newport Mums will certainly be very surprised on Mother's Day! If you didn't manage to get a gift to us before the end of last term, that's ok! Just take your donation to Tammy in the canteen before Thursday May 8th.

Friday 9th May – Mother's Day Stall

On Friday May 9th children will be able to purchase a gift for mum. All gifts will cost \$5 and will have a gift tag and bag included. Please assist us by sending the exact amount of money with your child. Children will visit the stall with their class and will have an amazing selection to choose from.

If you have any questions regarding the Mother's Day Stall Fundraiser or to offer a helping hand please email Sarah Hudson (srhudson@tpg.com.au) or Shani Law (shanilaw@hotmail.com)

Thank you for your continued support!



Creative Writing Workshop

Creative writing workshop
for
9-12 year olds



Venue: Pelican Room -Mona Vale Library
1 Park Street, Mona Vale

Time: 4pm to 5pm

Date: Wednesday 21 May

Cost: FREE
afternoon tea will be provided

Bookings: Essential

More info: Please call Rebecca on 9970 1600