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Natter Week 2 Term 3 2017

Dear Parents,

Whilst I was very fortunate to have had a lovely extended Winter break, the smiles on the students' faces and their enthusiasm for the upcoming semester have made it lovely to be back. I would like to congratulate and thank Adam, Sharon and Anna for stepping up and doing a superb job. Together with our wonderful and supportive staff, they did a fantastic job of managing the day to day running of the school and celebrating the many achievements of our students, staff and parents.

One of the highlights I won't have to miss out on from the end of term, is seeing some of our Sydney North dancers. I am very proud to say that for the fourth year in a row, 2 of Newport's dance groups have been invited to perform at the State Dance Festival at the Seymour Centre. This is a real honour and testament to the passion, hard work and skill of our choreographers Emily and Sandra and that of our dancers and parents who support the program every step of the way. Congratulations on this outstanding achievement – I can't wait to get to see their performances on stage!

Speaking of stages, this Thursday I will also enjoy seeing our 3/4 Drama group, led by Miss Bannerman and Miss Mailler, perform at the Arts North Drama Festival at NIDA. They will be performing their play, "The Great Escape" written by Miss Bannerman and I know the students along with Amelia and Ingrid, have been working hard to put the finishing touches on their performance. Best wishes to all the students for a fantastic performance.

Congratulations to our Girls' Touch Rugby KO team and Miss Blazejewski, for a great win last Thursday against Avalon – 9-0. Best of luck for the next stage.

I would like to congratulate Tom T. for an outstanding achievement last Friday afternoon at the State PSSA Cross Country competition at Homebush finishing in 3rd place. Tom will now continue on to represent Newport and New South Wales at the National Cross Country in Tasmania in 2 weeks time and we wish him all the best for a fabulous competition.



This Saturday, the staff will be working with <u>David and Claire Price</u> on Project Based Learning. David is a leading education writer, speaker, and trainer and has published several books, one titled "OPEN: How We'll Work, Live and Learn In The Future.' Clare Price is an Arts Education Consultant with over 20 years experience of working in the arts and education as a practising artist, lecturer, artist in schools and communities, and as a strategic manager.





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David and Clare will be working with us to continue to grow our understanding and implementation of future focused learning (from our School Plan). Many thanks to Julie Parker for her leadership around Project Learning and for co-ordinating Claire and David's PL session.



Our P & C Meeting will be held next Tuesday and we look forward to seeing you there so you can hear about what has been happening at Newport as well as working with us to continue to build upon our great programs and also provide feedback.





Fun in the winter sun on the western playground

Warmest regards,

Natalie Baldi Principal





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Dates for the Diary

Mon 24 July	Rugby League Gala day
Tues 25 July	3/4 Drama group at NIDA
Wed 26 July	Maths Olympiad 8.15am in 6AW
	Fundraising meeting Family Dash 2pm in the VCR room and 7pm in the library
Thurs 27 July	PCS Music Festival rehearsal at Wheeler Heights PS 3/4 Drama group at NIDA
Fri 28 July	Musica Viva Schools Tree day
Tues 1 Aug	P & C Meeting 7pm Festival of Instrumental Music Performance at the Opera House ICAS exam English 8am
Wed 2 Aug	School Open day

Sports

Zone Athletics Carnival

The Pittwater Zone Athletics Carnival is on Friday 1 September at Narrabeen Academy. Students who finished 1st or 2nd in any final and students who finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the 100m final will compete in the Zone Carnival. We will determine the students for Discus by trialing any student who finished 1st or 2nd in Shot-put or any student who has a recorded Discus distance though Little A's. We will invite any students aged 10, 11 or 12 years who finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the Cross Country or 800m to trial for the 1500m event. The Sydney North Athletics Carnival will be held on Monday 11 September at Homebush.

State Knockout Training

Boys' Softball KO training will continue each Monday morning 8.15am at Newport School.

Girls' Cricket KO training will continue each Thursday morning 8.15am at Newport School.

Girls' Touch Football KO training will be each Monday morning 8.15am at Newport Oval.

Greg Moran

Dance

CONGRATULATIONS to all the very talented children who represented our school so beautifully at the Sydney North Dance Festival during the last week of Term 2. The Year 2 students delighted audiences with the excitement and thrill of 'Welcome to the Circus'.





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Years 3/4 students graced the stage with emotion and elegance as they performed 'For the Love of the Rose' and Years 5/6 students danced their legs off with an entertaining and very classy performance of 'It's Our Time to Shine.'

Miss Jefferys and I were extremely proud of these students both on and off stage. They were wonderful representatives from our school.

We are most grateful to the families who have supported our dance program this year, in particular Kylie Ryan, Anna Zilioli, Tina Bracher, Emma Links and Lisa Brown, our 'Dance Mums' and Noemi Ratcliff, our treasurer. These ladies have played an instrumental role in bringing our vision to life. The result of our teamwork was evident on stage and we are extremely grateful for your support.

We are very excited to announce that the Year 2 and Year 5/6 groups have been included in the State Dance Festival which will take place at the Seymour Centre later this term. This is a huge accolade for these students, as they will be performing alongside the most talented dancers in the state. Congratulations boys and girls!

Our next performances will be during Open Day – Wednesday 2 August. We will be showcasing 7 dance groups on this day so be sure to be in the audience!

'Dancing is like dreaming with your feet.' Dream BIG!

Sandra Nicol

Music

Welcome back all music students. All 6 ensembles are now practising hard for their upcoming performances at Newport School Open Day on 2 August. Please refer to the Open Day program for performance times. It is vital that students practise their pieces at home and with their tutor. Please ask your ensemble manager if you are unsure which pieces your child should be practising.

Next committee meeting is scheduled for this Thursday 27 July at 7.30pm in the main staffroom. We will be discussing the hiring of a new Music Director and would love your input. Everyone is welcome.

Dates for Diary	
Thurs 27 July	Music Committee Meeting
Tues 1 Aug	Selected String Orchestra students performing at Opera House
Wed 2 Aug	School Open Day
7 – 9 Sept	Senior, Junior and Stage bands performing at NSWWE Spring
-	Festival in Chatswood





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Akoustic Odyssey



Performing at Newport School this Friday 28 July are Akoustic Odyssey, a high-energy quartet that take their inspiration from life on the Mediterranean.

Our students have been learning about the band and their songs as part of the Musica Viva music in schools program.

This ensemble of guitar, violin, cello and handdrums offer a dynamic and captivating journey from Turkey, Greece and beyond through original music composed by group members Joshua Tsounis and Stephan Richter.

UNSW Exams

English Exam

UNSW English exam will be held next Tuesday 1 August (Week 3) at 8am. We will meet upstairs outside the Year 6 classrooms. Please bring a 'B' or '2B' pencil and an eraser. Ms Kellie Cheney

Science Exam

Well done to all students who participated in the ICAS Science exam.

Congratulations to the following students who received a Distinction – Raphael D., Toby A., Catherine L. and Daniel R.

Congratulations to the following students who received a Credit – Jethro B., Isabelle O., Sophie R., Jeremy K., Gracie M., Lewis W., Mia M., Sebastian S. and Tobias U.





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Slow down to 40 when bus lights flash

In NSW there are thousands of buses that travel every day transporting students to and from school. Due to their size and mass, buses take more time to stop. Crashes involving buses often result in more severe outcomes for other road users.

The Centre for Road Safety is committed to improving safety around buses and is implementing a tactical school bus safety campaign. This is a reminder for parents and carers that they always need to supervise their children and hold their hand when walking to and from the bus stop or interchange and when crossing the road. In addition, parents should not call their children across the road as it could lead to dire consequences.



The law states that a speed of 40km/h applies if passing a bus when the front and rear lights are flashing as the bus is picking up and setting down school children. Please slow down to 40km/h when bus lights are flashing. This is for the safety of all students.

If you want more information on this campaign please visit the Centre for Road Safety link: <u>http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/be-bus-aware/index.html</u>



What's on @ the Newport Family Dash



OBSTÂCEOL UNITAL CURRES FR KKS In conjunction with the team from Obstacool we will be running a family obstacle course event. An Obstacool Course is made up of a mix of

inflatable's including the feature attraction, Big Bopper which is 40m long! Along with this, there are walls, tunnels, commando nets and more! Kids and Adults will be able to join in the fun!

Carnival Rides

Kids can enjoy the carnival atmosphere with carnival rides, slide and jumping castles.

Entertainment

Enjoy the line-up of local entertainment. Picnic Area

Families will be able to enjoy the entertainment and atmosphere with food and drinks relaxing in our picnic area.

Please come along, we will be holding two meetings this week to update class parents and parents that are available to take on a task! **WE HAVE A LIST BIG AND SMALL, ALL HANDS WELCOME!**

Wednesday 26th July -2pm - VCR Room and 7pm - Library

More information, please contact **call** Kylie Ryan on 0422 004 937 or <u>kylieryan@mac.com</u> **email** <u>newportpsfundraising@gmail.com</u> SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST 2017 7.30AM-1.30PM CAR BOOOD SALE PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL SELLERS

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