DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Cross Country
Last Wednesday we enjoyed a wonderful cross country carnival, held at Newport Oval. Congratulations to all students who participated. It was fantastic to see so many students give their best during the event. I would like to express my gratitude to Mrs Keogh who organised a wonderful carnival and to all the teachers who supervised, supported, watered and encouraged the students on the day.

Staffing
Congratulations to Mr Greg Moran who was successful in the recent merit selection process for a permanent classroom teacher position with us at Newport. Whilst Greg has been a member of the Newport staff for some time, we are most pleased for him in achieving this permanency.

At the start of this year Mr Michael Renkert joined us to fill a short term teaching vacancy on class 3MR. We are pleased to announce that Miss Ashlee Rohawicz has been permanently appointed to Newport and will take over 3MR, from Michael, next term. Ashlee will join us at Newport during Week 11 and will assist Michael during Parent Teacher Interviews as part of the transition process for 3MR. We wish Michael well as he heads overseas for some extended travel and we thank him for his hard work with 3MR this term.

Parent Teacher Interviews
Parent Teacher Interviews are on next week. Interviews may be booked with teachers using www.schoolinterviews.com.au. The event code is 87FYC. We look forward to seeing you then.

ANZAC Ceremony
As ANZAC Day falls during the upcoming school holidays, we will hold our annual ANZAC ceremony on Wednesday May 1, the first day back for students in Term 2. A tradition at Newport is the placing of flowers, by the students, on the cenotaph in Trafalgar Park. Students who wish to bring in flowers to be placed on the cenotaph may do so on the morning of our ANZAC ceremony. Also, if any member of the community has a rosemary bush they would be prepared to prune in order to create sprigs for the ANZAC ceremony, Mr Franki would love to hear from you.

Electronic Whiteboards
Today, two new electronic whiteboards have been installed in our new demountables, 3BF and 4SC. Through the use of these boards, students have the opportunity to experience a wide range of engaging, online lessons. Last weekend our new 4SC classroom was fully painted. Mrs Clements reports that her “new” room is fantastic!

Winter Uniform
A reminder that during Terms 2 and 3 our school uniform changes to its winter format. Now is the time to check sizes and the condition of winter wear. The uniform shop is open on Monday mornings and Tuesday afternoons for those parents wishing to purchase new items.

Supervision before and after school
Lately, there has been an increasing number of students arriving early to school and sitting in the playground for extended periods of time. Our school playground and sick bay are supervised from 8.55am in the morning. The school cannot guarantee supervision or sick bay services before this time. Students arriving before this time need to attend before school care. Please be advised that our sick bay closes at 3.30pm. We are unable to provide sick bay care for students playing in the park with their parents after school.

School Photos
School Photos will be held Thursday 2nd May, Week 1 Term 2. Photo envelopes will be sent home during the next week and will need to be returned on the day. As photos are being held in Term 2, full winter uniform will be required.

Regards,
Anthony Moran
Deputy Principal
Important Dates for Your Diary

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**MERIT AWARD WINNERS**

- **KDF** Oliver Menzies, Seren Thomas
- **KEE** Lillian Reid, Elliot Moore
- **KAJ** Ariel Burns-Lynch, Matteo Meucci
- **KJP** Max Monaghan, Jade Wandl
- **KSO** Harry Benton, Tabitha Reeman
- **KEJ** Lucy Kingdon, Jesse Bailey
- **KMG** Madison May, Kian Hooper-Nguyen
- **1JG** Alicia Ockwell, Jack Alexander
- **1JJ** Ella Tailby, Ries Diaz Bauste
- **1DD** Jake Clarke, Dean Rogers
- **1SN** Taj Rawsley, Jet Crichton
- **2BG** Anaia Cruickshank, William Matthews
- **1/2JF** Claire Hartley, Ella George
- **2SC** Anna Le Blang, Elliott Thomas
- **2BN** Scarlett Rowland-Smith, Luke Carter
- **2AM** Alexander Barton, Bethany Miller
- **3LS** Kai Raffles, Chloe Cate
- **3GB** Elia Vartuli, Beau Brennan
- **3MR** Hugo Bundock, Kiara Dolphin
- **3BF** Charlie Blinko, Billy Cardiff
- **4NE** Lhamo Youtso, Jay Norris
- **4KH** Isabelle England, Victoria Smyth-King
- **4LC** Sarah Ramsay, Lachie Cruickshank
- **5LR** Zach VanDam, Dane Urban
- **5TD** Chloe Geeves, Blake Griffith
- **5/6AH** Bianca Garbett, Francesca Curtin
- **6GM** Hugh Hooghuis, Ella Paton
- **6KK** Scooter Kerstens, Issy Norris

**MUSIC NEWS**

**Jazz Band Has Started**

Fiona Gudmunson is a parent at our school and also a talented musician and music teacher. Fiona has started a small stage/jazz band; musicians from Performance Band and Concert Band have been invited to join. This morning was the first rehearsal of that band and they sounded great! I can’t tell you how amazing it was to walk into the hall at the end of that rehearsal and hear a very competent and funky rendition of “Somebody I Used to Know” as if this was a band used to playing together and knowing their pieces intimately. This is a credit to Fiona's teaching/conducting and to our talented musicians. It also reinforces the amazing job that our conductors John Stone, Andrew Laurich and Karen Leimbach (and her Violin tutors) have done with the regular ensembles.

**It is not too late to join the Training Band or Violin 1 Program.**

Training Band rehearses on Wednesday mornings from 7.10- 8.15. There is still availability for a number of instruments including Trombone, Bassoon, French Horn, Baritone Horn, Tuba, Tenor Sax, Bass Clarinet and Clarinet.

**Special Offer** For the first time we are offering free instrument hire for Trombone, Tuba and Bassoon. Save $200. Hurry as there are only a limited number of instruments. Please contact Melissa Turnock on 0414 452 152 for details.

Violin 1 rehearses on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8.20 to 9.15, there is still a place left. Please contact Megan Moxham on 0411 697 922 for details.

**NSSWE – A parent’s perspective**

This year my Year 6 son has joined the Northern Sydney Symphonic Wind Ensemble (NSSWE) in the Primary Orchestra. He has been in the Newport Band for a year and at Artarmon School Band for two years before that and he was ready for a new challenge to push himself and get involved with a wider music community. About four weeks into the program I have been to watch a couple of the rehearsals and have been really impressed with the level of discipline and technical training the kids are receiving. His conductor is very engaging and keeps the kids on their toes.

Our other interest in joining was to increase the performance opportunities, and with quite a few scheduled at the Concourse at Chatswood and a tour in the Hunter Valley area this year, that will certainly happen. Each week they are mentioning they can welcome even more kids in the group so it’s not too late to audition. Rehearsals are Tuesdays 4.30 till about 6 pm and we have a little car pool shared transport thing going on too.

This week they emailed us to let us know that Tuesday 12th March is "Bring a Friend" night at NSSWE, so email me if you are interested in coming along; melissa.turnock@pilatesscene.com

**Dates for Diary**

- Music Committee Meeting: 27th March
- Music Camp: 17th – 19th May 2013
UNIVERSITY OF NSW COMPETITIONS

The University of NSW runs competitions in Science, Writing, English and Maths to provide opportunities for capable students in Years 3-6 to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external exam. Students who participate will receive a certificate and a detailed results letter highlighting student’s strengths and weaknesses. Please note as these are externally set written tests they may be more suited to children with high language skills. Participation in these tests is optional.

Information notes for these competitions will go home with the students this week. If interested, entries must be returned to the office no later than Friday 12th April. Additional entries can be obtained from the office or from Mrs Clements.

PLEASE ENSURE ALL APPLICATIONS HAVE YOUR CHILD’S NAME LEGIBLY WRITTEN ON THE SUBMITTED SHEET TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

SNOWSPORTS NEWS

Thank you to all the families who showed up to our information afternoon. It’s great that we have some new interest in our racing program. This year’s Northern Regional Titles will be held at Perisher during the first week of the July school holidays.

Perisher has 1245 hectares of rideable terrain, a vertical drop of 355 metres, a summit elevation of 2054 metres, 47 lifts and its longest run a total of 3km. Perisher will host both the Regional and State Interschools along with the Cross Country ski events.

Some important dates for your diary:

- Scots College Snow Sale – Anderson Hall, Scots Senior Campus, Sunday 7th April (12pm – 2pm)
- Redlands Sale – 272 Military Rd Cremorne, Sunday 5th May (1pm – 3pm)
- Steve’s Snow Sale – Mona Vale Memorial Hall, 10th, 11th & 12th May
- Dry Land training begins – Newport School, Week 4, Term 2
- Knox/Pymble Cup – Perisher Front Valley – 2nd July

Northern Region Interschools (Our region)

1. Snowboard GS & BX (all divisions) – 3rd July
2. Alpine (div 5) Skix (div 4) Moguls (all div) – 4th July
3. Alpine (div 4) – 5th July

- Scots College Snowsports Championship – Perisher, Mon 8th July
- Redlands Cup Snowsports Championship – Thredbo, Tues 9th July

Newport Snowsports has formed a brand new committee and looks forward to the 2013 season. While there is strength and numbers in Senior Boys skiing and snowboarding, every other division needs new recruits. If you are keen to join us this season, please fill in the note below and return it to Mr Tickle.

Mark Tickle

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CHESS NEWS

Last Wednesday ten Newport chess players participated in the Northern Beaches 2013 Primary Schools Chess Challenge held at Mona Vale Public School. Newport sent along two of 2012’s targeted Kindergartens; Rafael Ortiz and Lachlan Zaraza (now in year 1) for their first taste of real competition. Along with their team mates they played 5 rounds of chess with children from 17 different schools. There were a total of 262 students at the competition making up teams of 3 (86 team’s altogether). Our players performed consistently throughout the tournament with Senior Captain Thomas Poppleton winning 4 of his 5 games. Many thanks to our parent drivers and Mr Hill who accompanied and supervised the children at the event.

Mark Tickle

ANZAC DAY

A REMINDER TO YEAR 6 STUDENTS WISHING TO MARCH IN THE AVALON SERVICE, YOUR PERMISSION NOTE MUST BE RETURNED TO MR TICKLE BY THE END OF THE WEEK.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Winter Uniforms

With only a little over 1 week until the end of Term 1, now’s the time to purchase Winter Uniforms. The Uniform shop is open twice more before the end of the Term - Monday 8th & Tuesday 9th April. Online orders will need to be placed by 5pm Friday, 5th April for delivery to your child before the end of the Term. (There will be no school holiday open.)

Second-hand Winter Uniforms

We currently have a great supply of quality second-hand hoodies, boy’s trousers and girl’s winter tunics & pants. A spare hoodie is a good idea coming into winter.

Thank you

The Uniform shop could not operate as it currently does without the help of our fabulous team of volunteers. Many thanks to Jenny Smith, Tracy Gowen, Tina Sharp, Kath Tulloch, Katie Brennan and Louise Woods for their time this term

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.

P&C Trivia Night Fundraiser - April 5th Tickets Selling FAST!

There are still a small number of tables left for our Trivia Night Fundraiser on April 5th. You can now purchase individual seats - so if you are having trouble getting a group of 8 together you can still come along! Tickets are $50.00 each and include a plate of hot nibbles and a cheese platter on your table! Individual tickets are available at the canteen or contact Tammy at newportschoolcanteen@hotmail.com

There are some fantastic prizes on offer and 1st prize for the winning table is going to be massive - it will include A Personal Training group session for 8 with the Sandhill Warrior, 8 Bottles of 2011 Sparkling Pinot Grigio Chardonnay and 8 Vouchers for from Bakers Delight Newport to the value of $20). Book your table at the canteen or on Flexischools (www.flexischools.com.au). Hurry seats are limited and selling fast!

For all those who are attending the Trivia night - we have a fantastic night in store for you! Don't forget to bring your gold coins as there will be games to participate in, points to purchase and trivia police that have been known to take a bribe! Looking forward to seeing you on the night!!!
Canteen News

Next Week’s Roster

Monday April 8th: N.Roach, M.Stidwill, D.Clinton, B.Griffiths
Tuesday April 9th: T.Sturzaker, N.Sampson, J.Turner, M.Burlinson, L.Brown
Wednesday April 10th: P.Hitchman, B.Skene
Thursday April 11th: F. Douglas (morning), K.Tulloch, S.Lowe, N.England
Friday April 12th: V.Watkin, L.Barlow, K.Meek, T. Leslie

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

New for Winter!

At the start of Term 2 the Canteen will be offering the following healthy snacks and treats to fill up your tummies and keep you warm:

Hot Chocolate will be available in the mornings, at recess and lunch. It will be available in cups with lids and will cost $2.00.

Gluten Free Corn chips with melted cheese snack available at recess. Cost will be $1.00

Soup - Tammy is offering both Vegetarian Pumpkin Soup and Chicken Noodle Soup for lunch in Term 2.

Calling All Volunteers for 2013!

The school canteen runs so smoothly thanks to the help of all of our wonderful and dedicated volunteers! Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Grandfriends are all welcome. If you can spare anytime at all between the hours of 8.30 am and 2pm we would love to see you. Even fifteen minutes or half an hour for morning tea service is greatly appreciated! Call Tammy on 9979 6504 or email newportschoolcanteen@hotmail.com

Newport Breakers
Netball Club

FUN NET!

Fun Net is an 8 week program commencing on Monday 6th May at 3:45pm at the Newport Public School Netball Courts
For children turning 7 years old – a fantastic introduction to netball & basic ball handling skills!

www.newportbreakers.netball.asn.au
To register, please contact
Liz Dunn, NBNC Registrar
m: 0419 289 453
e: newportbreakersnetball@gmail.com
Newport Public School P&C Association Presents Their Inaugural Trivia Fundraising Night - With Quiz Master Mr. Peter Phelps

Friday April 5th 2013
In Our School Hall

$400 per table of 8 ($50 per head) which includes a plate of hot nibbles and a cheese platter
BYO
Doors Open 6.30 pm
Questions Start at 7 pm sharp

Theme: P&C - Come dressed as something that starts with either a P or a C

Prizes for Best Dressed individual and best dressed team. Lucky Door Prizes and lots of surprises!


All proceeds go directly to supporting your school. We look forward to seeing you and your team there!

Questions? Email them to newportschoolcanteen@hotmail.com