We have come to the end of another busy term. Students and staff have been involved in such a wide range of activities that have enriched their school life. They have been involved in various sports, dance, music, public speaking, debating, excursions, camps and choir. Open Day was a marvellous showcase of our school; with the great variety of opportunity for children on display. What a great term it has been. I am sure we are all looking forward to a well-earned rest. I hope everyone has a safe and restful holiday.

Spring Working Bee
An extremely productive day was had last Saturday, with us achieving all we set out to do. We managed to install the lattice under our demountable building, finish the edging on the driveway, tidy some very overgrown areas of our school and mulch the grounds ready for next term’s fete. We had an enormous response with over 60 parents and children helping. We managed to complete our morning’s work by 11.00am. It was wonderful to be able to complete the lattice work under the demountable. This had been an issue raised at and voted on at our Student Parliament. The children will be pleased to see their voice has made a difference in our school.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to all the wonderful workers who gave their time on Saturday: James Campbell; Brett & Syra Lovett, Alex Pate, Scott Hurst, Stu & Sienna Sinfield, Ella, Mia, Pippa, Carla & Phil Pettitt, Laurence McCoy, Simone Davis, Dan & Katrina Meek, Irena & Natasha Pierce, Bruce Baker, Selena Webber, Steve Merchant, Melissa Johnstone, Steve Cronan, Natalie Sampson, Katie & Matt Brennan, Tony & Lisa Brown, Stuart Sinfield, Greig Williamson, Bec & Holly Hunt, Glen Wade, Vanessa Welbourn, Corinna Sergi, Karina Daddo, Karen & Cooper Hennessy, Claire Gorman, Megan, Stella, Ruby & Sam Moxham, Ingrid & Luke Ambrosius, Jayne, Karja & Alija Parums, Michelle Lye, Nerilee, Kaelan & Jade Gregory, Jeremy, Zoe, Harry & Scarlett Letts, Sue Wright, Harry Benton, James Whiley, Shane Pretty, Tim Bateman, Rob & Sophie Stokes, Susan & Roxy Quinn.

Congratulations Netball Knockout Team State Champions
Congratulations to our Girls Netball Team on a fantastic win on Monday. 530 teams across NSW participated in this competition. Last Monday the final eight teams travelled to Auburn to compete in the finals day. Newport played Orange PS in the quarter-finals, winning 44-15. The next opponents were Warnervale PS which they won 25-20, a very tough game, but the girls dug deep. They played Ariah Park/Ardeerlehan Central School in the final winning 34/19. Congratulations to Stella Campbell, Sacha Clements, Francesca Curtin, Ashlie Edwards, Jazmine Lerpiniere, Alice Mitchell, Ella Paton, Tara Stuart, Lauren Tinni and Madi Wade. I would like to thank Monica Lerpiniere for umpiring for Newport throughout the season and all the parents who supported the girls driving them to and from the venues. Once again a big thank you to Sue Brandenburg for her training and management of the team; and her belief in their ability. Throughout the competition the girls gave their all with fantastic performances by each girl, their skill level as a team won the day. Well done everyone.

Congratulations Year 6 Debating Team
Congratulations to our Year 6 Debating team who this week competed at the Collaroy Centre in the Regional Final of the Premier’s Debating Challenge. There were 95 teams in the Northern Sydney Region competing in this competition and Newport was able to make it to the final 16. Our debate against Killara PS was a tough debate which we did not win, however the children were able to be proud of their achievement of making it
this far in the competition. Well done Charlie Belic, Glenn Sands, Charlotte Labrie, Charli Wiles and Zane Farquharson. We are very proud of your achievement.

Spring PSSA Starts
The Spring Competition started last Friday. Good luck to all our PSSA teams. I know you will be great representatives for Newport, showing great sportsmanship on and off the field.

Funky Disco
A fabulous night was had by all, with a great buzz at each disco. The children once again joined in with enthusiasm and a great sense of happiness. Thank you to our senior students who did a great job helping out with the younger children. Many thanks to Mr Franki, Miss Jefferys and Mr Moran for their organisation of the event; and to all the staff who attended to help run the discos on the night. Thanks also to all our students who supported this fundraising event. We raised approximately $1400. Well done everyone.

UNSW English and Writing Competitions
This year 76 students participated in the UNSW English Competition. Newport School was awarded 2 High Distinctions, 13 Distinctions, 23 Credits and 38 Participant certificates. A Special mention and congratulations must go to Francesca Early and Chloe Bracher from Year 4 who were both awarded High Distinctions and placed in the top 1% of Year 4 participants. Congratulations to the following students who received Distinctions in their year group.

Year 3: Eleanor Yetts-McKernan
Year 4: Edward Ashe, Lullubelle Ryberg Neale, Edward Stokes
Year 5: Harriette Burke, Grace Fisher, Hamish Cumming, Oskar Hall, Dominic Murphy, Mac Omm, Vincent Supierz, Dakota Viviers, Riley White

In the UNSW Writing competition 70 students participated. Newport School was awarded 5 Distinctions, 23 Credits and 42 Participation certificates. Congratulations to the following students who received Distinctions within their year group.

Year 3: Eva Bracey
Year 4: Jasmine Adams, Chloe Bracher
Year 5: Ruby O'Keefe, Dakota Viviers

Operation Art
This year four Newport students had their artwork selected for display in the Operation Art 2013 Exhibition. Congratulations to Summer Rowland Smith, William Matthews, Grace Carroll and Kai Raffles. Their artwork has been on display at the Armory Gallery, Sydney Olympic Park.

Young Musicians Showcase
This year 21 performers from Kinder to Year 6 entertained students and parents. Our performers included talented singers, pianists and instrumentalists. Two performances K-2 and 3-6 showcased fabulous musical talent of Newport students. The shows were hosted by our talented Year 6 students; Glenn Sands, Linda Leck, Nathan Weiss and Arnu Matthews. I would also like to thank Lesley Cruickshank and Julie Parker for their organisation of the showcase this year. A special thank you must go to Brian Franki for organising the sound on the day. Once again it was a great showcase of our Newport talent.

Good Luck Jasper Welsh
Jasper is competing as part of the Sydney North Boys Softball Team. He is playing in Camden at the state carnival. Best of luck Jasper!

Regards,
Margaret Charlton
Principal

Dates for your diary

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ON SATURDAY AT THE WORKING BEE, 2 SHOVELS WERE LEFT BEHIND. THEY ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Australian Museum Holiday Program

The Australian Museum runs a great holiday program. Workshops include "Sharks! From Scaring to Caring", "On the Brink", Scientist for a Day Sessions include: Marine Biology and Wierd Science 2, there will be Conversations about Conservation and Reptiles of the World and much, much more. Don't miss the blockbuster exhibition: Tyrannosaurs - Meet the Family!
For more information go to www.australianmuseum.net.au

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

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YOUNG WRITERS AWARD

Unknown Darkness: The Infection

The whole tavern cheered at the sound of a fight. A huge, burly man towered over a smaller man who insulted him. "What was that?!" the huge man in the steel, horned helmet yelled. The smaller man in the hood looked up at him in defiance. "I called you an idiot" the hooded man said casually, drinking from his cup of mead. The gigantic man went red in the face and grabbed the smaller man by his collar. The hooded man sprung to action, grabbing the behemoth's wrist. He pulled himself up and over the man's shoulder then walked out the door nonchalantly. The mammoth-of-a-man roared and charged out the door, only to find an empty pathway with nothing but the soft sound of wind and the moonlight. Eradan Falador was not a person you would want to cross. He may not look like much from first glance, but under the leather armour and the hood there is great power. He clambered up the tavern to the rooftop, looking down as he saw the gigantic person rush out, searching for him. Eradan smiled when he saw the man head back into the bar. There were some yells from inside and the sound of drinks being spilled. Eradan leaped off the rooftop, grasping a tree branch and nimbly sprung onto his feet. Eradan was young, in his twenties.

He was in Northwatch, a small town on the coast of Victalia. Northwatch was a village inside the borders of Algaron. In Victalia, the whole land is set into four different provinces, Algaron, Viridia, Silverwind and Darkfall. Algaron was the largest and most productive province, covered in forests and fields. Viridia was a cold, snowy, unforgiving place where only the strongest are able to survive. Silverwind was a mass of rolling hills and crystal-clear lakes. Darkfall is considered the shadow of Victalia. No sane person ever entered Darkfall (for a good reason!). Darkfall is the oldest province in
Victalia, and it is home to the Upyr. The Upyr are the ancient cult of vampires which have been on Aloria for over 3000 years. They aren’t as numerous as they once were, but they are incredibly powerful. They have many dangerous abilities, including black magic. Darkfall also is home to the Darklings. The Darklings are a group of the meanest, toughest and strongest criminals.

By Isaac Hogarth

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**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

**Term 4 – First Open**
Staff and students return to school on Tuesday, 8 October. Students return to school in their summer uniform. As the uniform shop will not be opening during the school holidays, the first open for Term 4 will be Tuesday, 8 October at 3pm. Online orders placed before 5pm Friday, 4 October will be delivered to your child on Tuesday, 8 October.

**Thank you**
Our thanks once again to Tracy Gowen, Jenny Smith, Tracey Nolan, Ana Arruzza, Louise Woods, Katie Brennan, Kath Tulloch, Rachel Wilson and Tina Sharp for your time this term. We couldn’t do it without you.

**Online Ordering (during the term)**
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**
Thank-you to everyone that helped out this term, The canteen only runs so smoothly because of all of you. Have a great holidays, be safe and I look forward to seeing you all next term :)

**First week back term 4:**
 Monday Oct 7th: Labour day
 Tuesday Oct 8th: T Sturzaler, N Sampson, J Turner, M Burlinson, L Brown
 Wednesday Oct 9th: P Hitchman
 Friday Oct 11th: V Watkins, L Barlow, K Meek
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!
Just a reminder to any one that still has outstanding money owing to the canteen for forgotten or lost lunch, could please fix this up with the canteen. Many thanks.
Date for next term:
Thursday the 24th October we are having a meal deal day.
Hotdog & 300ml milk for only $5.00. This will be on flexi schools and you can order over the counter

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**How much water do children need?**
The amount of fluid that children need varies between individual children. The older the child, the more fluid they need. Children should drink approximately 1–1½ litres of fluid a day. Children will need more when they are physically active and on hot and humid days. Water is the best drink – for both children and adults – in all situations.
Pre-Sale
Tickets only

$25
*only available at this price till midnight Friday 11th Oct
Or $30 if you buy on the day
$5 per single ride

Unlimited Rides!!!

- Big Kahuna Surf Machine
- Cliffhanger Slide
- SeaWorld Adventure jumping castle
- Adrenaline Rush 2
- Turbo Tubs
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Giant Fun slide

How to buy...
Purchase your discounted tickets at the school outside the hall:
Wednesday 9th Oct 3 - 4pm
Thursday 10th Oct 8.30 - 9.30am
Friday 11th Oct 8.30 - 9.30am
(CASH ONLY)

OR...
*Purchase online now through Flexischools until midnight on Friday 11th October only!
Go to www.flexischools.com.au
**NetSetGo “Pink Diamonds”** for players turning 7yrs in 2013 is a specialized 5 week program commencing on **Monday October 14**th **4.30 pm-5.30 pm** in Avalon Recreation Centre.

This program concentrates on developing netball skills in players including shooting technique in a “lots of fun” environment.

Coaches conducting this course are highly accredited and experienced Coaches who specialize in NetSetGo programs and Junior Club Grades.

Players receive a NetSetGo T shirt----Size 4 Netball and a surprise pack of netball goodies.

Registration Fee $70.00 - closing 4pm Friday 20th Sept.2013

Registration enquiries/forms
CONTACT: peninsulanetball@hotmail.com

PITTWATER PENINSULA NETBALL CLUB INC.
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REGISTRATION FORM
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NAME___________________________________
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Registration fee $70.00 cash or cheque
(Made payable to Pittwater Peninsula Netball)

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 5PM

peninsulanetball@hotmail.com
GKR KARATE

Is holding a school registration afternoon

On **Tuesday 17th and Friday 20th September**

**3.00pm – 3.45pm**

(Outside the school hall)

Karate is Japanese Martial Art that is based on self defence, teaches respect and courtesy, is fantastic for fitness and discipline, builds confidence and self esteem, develops focus, co-ordination, flexibility and is lots of fun for all ages.

GKR have classes in the school hall on Tuesday and Friday nights from 6-7pm & 7.15-8.30pm. Families are welcome to train together (Other classes are available). Training fees are $11 plus family discounts.

Gold (One off Life) Membership is $130 or a 3 month trial membership for $65 (Option to upgrade to Gold Membership for $65 after 3 months). You don’t need a uniform to start, you can train in tracksuit pants and a t-shirt/jumper and can order a uniform at any time through the Instructor at class.

Enquiries please call Sensei Peter Durrant 0404092747

[www.gkrkarate.com](http://www.gkrkarate.com)