PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

We have a quiet few weeks ahead of us after the frantic start to Term 3. Thank you to staff, students and parents who have lent a hand and made the first three weeks of term a real Newport community effort. Whilst being very busy I feel the children have had wonderful experiences and opportunities. Time now to concentrate on our class activities.

Well done Newport Senior Choir
On Monday morning, the Senior Choir students enjoyed meeting Paul Jarman, the composer of our premiere piece for the Arts North Choral Festival, The Soldier. He told the story of the beautiful words, written by Confucius, played some Chinese music and then conducted the singing. It was both an amazing and inspiring session. We look forward to being the first ever choir to perform this beautiful song about "Peace" at our Town Hall concert in Week 6. I would like to thank Marianne Gutherson for her hard work and enthusiasm with this choir.

Staff Training
All staff participated in the mandatory CPR training this week and epilepsy earlier in the term. This is an annual requirement for staff. They will also be undertaking training in the management of anaphylaxis in the coming weeks.

Congratulations to our Office Staff
Well done to office staff for their careful preparation of our Workplace Health and Safety and finance procedures for audit. The audit of these procedures was carried out on Tuesday. I would like to thank Krys Ramalli, our School Admin Manager, for the effective management of our school financial procedures.

National Trees Day
Last Friday a number of trees were planted around our school as part of this special initiative. Many thanks to Nicola Elliot, 4NE, Lara Windon and 3LW for their work on this project. KMG will be watering our new trees. They look terrific and will add to our school environment.

Young Musicians Auditions
What a fabulous day full of talented children. Our showcase on Wednesday 10th September will be a fantastic event.

Good Luck to our Rugby Team
On Sunday our PSSA Rugby Knockout Team will travel to Bathurst for the next round of this competition. They will play Parkes on Monday and a win will see them through to the finals day. I would like to wish the boys all the best. We are all cheering for you.

P&C Commonwealth Games-a-thon
Thursday 4th September
This year we will be holding our bi-annual A-thon. This year the theme will be the Commonwealth Games and the children will compete a range of activities during the Games-a-thon. This is the major fundraiser for the P&C this year. We hope that you will get behind the event and assist with the fundraising. More information about the Games-a-thon will be sent home soon.
Chicken Pox

We have been notified of a case of Chicken Pox in our senior grade. Please keep your child at home if they show any symptoms.

School Concert – date for your diary
December 4th and 5th
Put the date aside for our School Concert in Term 4. Every student has an opportunity to perform for you. This event is held every second year, and is always loads of fun.

Regards,
Margaret Charlton
Principal

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MERIT AWARD WINNERS

KOP  Elijah Frost, Natasha Boss  2BG  Asher Ginsburg, Brooklyn Cate
K vJ  Will Handscomb, Charlie Handscomb  3 LW  Scarlett Rowland-Smith, Anaia Cruickshank
KEP  Caitlin Brown, Archie Hellmich  3 KH  Ruby Cumming, Angelina De Vera
KJP  Zane Langdon, Gracie Daddo  3 AR
KEJ  Ava Munro, Harry Perkins  3 RB  Joel Ratcliff, Bethany Lever
KMG  William Harrison-Flett, Jorgie King  4 NE  Lily Walsh
1 SN  Thomas Cardiff, Harrison Proctor  4 GM  Jacob Melville, Finlay Young
1 JJ  Jas James, Sam Peterson  4 LC  Cooper Hennessy, Josie Moore
1 DD  Aiden Bullen, Indigo Hinton-West  4 SC  Rory MacEwan, Ava Brown
1 AD  Luke Moore, Tabitha Reeman  5 AW  Amity Cox, Jai Cummings
1 JB  Lauchlin Griffiths, Lucy Kingdon  5 J L  Nina Lindley, Matthew Francis
1 CC  Zara Leslie, Jack Laughton-Smith  5/6 AH  Aiden Fawle, Jonathan King
2 FJ  Alicia Ockwell, William Bryant  5 SM  Oscar Hooguis, Skye Smith
2 BN  Tom Perrottet, Olivia Bourke  6 KK  Kirta Geeves, Kye Davis
2 AM  Aron Brennan, Amelia Boss  6 IW  Harry Lundgren, Eladie Jones
2 SC  Sam Moxham, Zara McCauley  6 IM

MUSIC NEWS

Performance Band playing at UNSW Music Festival this Sunday August 10th. All students are asked to arrive at 1.00pm for a 2.00pm performance. Full band uniform.

Stage Band Night at Pittwater High. Our Stage Band has been invited to play at Pittwater High this Tuesday, 12th August, along with a number of high school bands. They will be the only primary band playing. Concert starts at 7.00pm.

Dates for Diary
7th August  String Orchestra playing at Primary Assembly
10th August  Performance Band playing at NSW Music Festival, Kensington
12th August  Stage Band playing at Pittwater High School, time to be confirmed
14th August  Training Band playing at Primary Assembly
21st August  Concert Band playing at Primary Assembly
29th September  V1s and V2s playing at Infants Assembly
13th & 14th Sept  Performance Band and Stage Band playing at NSWE Band Festival in Chatswood
25th November  Twilight Concert
The Premier’s Spelling Bee is on again.

There are 2 categories:
- Junior: Stage 2 which is Years 3 and 4
- Senior: Stage 3 which is Years 5 and 6.

The Spelling Bee is open to all students in Years 3 – 6. Junior words begin at Level 1 and go to Level 5. Senior words begin at Level 2 and go to Level 7.

Each class will be having a ‘Spell-off’ to determine the 2 class finalists during week 4. The two class finalists will then compete in the Stage Finals.

Stage finals will be held during week 5.

The regional finals will be held during weeks 8 and 9. Details of dates and venues for each zone final have not yet been released.

If you or your child wishes to view the lists, see Mrs Hulme for the password and then follow this link: [http://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/speaking-competitions/2014-premiers-spelling-bee](http://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/speaking-competitions/2014-premiers-spelling-bee)

Karen Hulme

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**Mon 11 Aug:** J Masters, S Law, S Carter, K MacGuire  
**Tues 12 Aug:** P Hitchman, J Pepper, K Ryan, F Wilson, K Ginsburg  
**Wed 13 Aug:** M Smith, M Oakley, L May  
**Thurs 14 Aug:** S Lowe, V Brown, C Thomas, V Gordon  
**Fri 15 Aug:** A Surfeild, J Parums, M Ramsey, N Simpson
When kids ask “the” questions . . .

Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate’s high quality sexuality and relationship education program is coming to your school! With more than 85 years’ experience in this field, Interrelate has a reputation for providing excellence in sexuality and relationship education. Today over 41,000 students and family members participate in Interrelate school and family programs each year.

Many parents find it hard to discuss or answer questions relating to sexuality education . . . We know how to ‘help break the ice’. Interrelate programs are interactive, family focused and presented in the context of caring relationships. Our fully trained and experienced educators, who adhere to a strict code of ethics, conduct the program.

**Session 1: “Where Did I Come From?”**
1 hour – Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
In this session children are eager to learn more about how their bodies work and the differences between males and females. This session extends their understanding of conception, fertilisation, foetal development and the birth process.

**Session 2: “Preparing for Puberty”**
1 hour – Years 5 & 6
This session helps to prepare children and parents/caregivers for the physical, social and emotional changes associated with puberty. Changing emotions and relationships with families and peers are addressed. Information is also presented on menstruation and wet dreams.

You and your child will benefit from the information presented in this program. The feedback is overwhelmingly positive. What parents have said about us:

“The educator has a great way of putting things simply”
“Provided me with a solid foundation”
“Covered areas I hadn’t thought of talking about”
“Entertaining and informative”

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Interrelate SCHOOL SERVICES presents
A SPECIAL EVENING PROGRAM

**FAMILY COST:** 1 session $25 per family • 2 sessions $30 per family

*Please Note: The Family Cost is GST exclusive
The GST is payable/claimable by the School/Organising Body*

Where: NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL
When: Tuesday, 26th August 2014
Time: 6:00 pm SHARP (“Where Did I Come From?”) 7:15 pm (“Preparing for Puberty”)

Please Note: Speciality books are available for purchase on the night.

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--- A SPECIAL EVENING PROGRAM

Name of Family: ...............................................................

No. attending:   Session 1: “Where Did I Come From?”   Session 2: “Preparing for Puberty”

Amount enclosed: $ ......................  □ Cash  □ Cheque (please make cheques payable to school)

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2014 Newport Public School P&C Association Fundraising

Fathers’ Day Stall Thursday 28th August!

After the amazing success of our Mother’s Day Stall, which was enjoyed by both the children and all their Mother’s, the P&C Fundraising Committee will also be holding a Father’s Day stall.

**Thursday 21st August – Gift Donation**

On this day we are asking all children to please bring to school with them a **small** Father’s Day gift with an approximate value of $5. Some gift ideas include mugs, chocolates, stationary, BBQ tools etc. A great variety of gifts will ensure that there is plenty for the kids to choose from! NO SECOND HAND GIFTS PLEASE. If you would like your child to purchase more than 1 gift at the stall please send in the same number of gifts as your child will be purchasing. The gifts are to be placed in your child’s classroom in the boxes provided.

**Thursday 28th August – Stall please bring $5**

On this day please send in with your child $5 in an envelope with your child’s name and class written on the front.

The children will visit the stall with their class and will be able to make their very important choice of a gift. All gifts will be priced at $5.

*If you have any questions regarding the Father’s Day Stall Fundraiser or to offer a helping hand please email Shani Law ([shanilaw@hotmail.com](mailto:shanilaw@hotmail.com)) or see Tammy in the canteen.*

**Thanks for your continuing support!!**
NSEHC T/A
NEWPORT OUTSIDE of SCHOOL HOURS CARE
OPEN: 7am – 9.00am & 3.25pm – 6.30pm
SCHOOL TERM ONLY
☎️ 02 9979 9874

Perhaps you are working, studying / training (rebates for eligible families may apply), attending to appointments or just need a little time to catch up on things….

Are you looking for somewhere for your child/ren to play safely, join in some interesting and fun activities? NOOSHC – offers you a solution, providing essential, convenient, quality before and after school care on-site.

Our Educational Leader – Kat Genthner, assisted by staff, run a child focused program during the morning and afternoon with a wide and varied range of activities for your child to choose from, have a play with their friends, make new friends. The children rave about the afternoon tea menu – fruit and a varied menu (spring rolls, quiches, chicken nuggets, party pies & sausage rolls, nachos, hommus …).

Your child/ren must be enrolled with NOOSHC to use the centre on either a permanent or casual basis. NOOSHC is run as an Incorporated Association with a Centre Manager (trained teacher), experienced permanent and casual staff, a part time book keeper and a parent management committee who meet of an evening during the term.

For all enquiries please phone ☎️ 02 9979 9874 and speak to either the Centre Manager Jo Newton or Assistant Centre Manager Judy Longworth.

NOOSHC REMINDER TO PARENTS re Absent Children:
If your child is NOT attending for their booked session (especially afternoon - casual or permanent) please phone the centre (answer machine available) to let us know preferably by 2.30pm, (staff are prepping afternoon tea for child numbers at that time) this saves considerable time and worry for all concerned. The safety and wellbeing of your child are of upmost importance. A “search & contact” fee will be charged if we need to phone you in regards to your child’s whereabouts. If you do receive a message concerning the whereabouts of your child PLEASE phone the centre back ASAP to confirm that you have received the message and that your child is actually absent. If your child goes home from school sick etc PLEASE let NOOSHC know – it is not the responsibility of the school to do so.

NSEHC Inc. T/A NOOSHC (non-profit) Incorporated Association has been operating at Newport Public School since 1994. The running of the centre is overseen by a voluntary parent management committee and a paid bookkeeper. The parent management committee meets twice a term and we encourage all parents who utilize the service to become involved in the NOOSHC community, this need not be a large time commitment on your part. It could be as simple as donating those toys/games/books etc. that you are thinking of throwing out, lending a hand once in a while with cleaning, engaging with the parent committee to offer your ideas or simply getting involved with fundraising/accreditation. You may have a skill that you can come and demonstrate – a story to tell or just help with a wide range of tasks. Your contribution is invaluable and helps us to ensure you are getting everything you need from the service.

T3 & 4 NOOSHC Parent Management Committee meeting dates.
All parents of NOOSHC are welcome to attend. Meetings are held at NOOSHC. Refreshments & nibbles provided.
T3 – Tuesday September 9th Week 9 – 7.00pm.
T4 – AGM - Tuesday December 2nd Week 9 & End of Year Celebration. 6.30pm.
For catering purposes please advise the staff if you are going to attend.
An exhibition of students’ works.

Monday 11 August – Sunday 24 August

Opening and awards
Wednesday 13 August, 4 – 5pm

Presentation at the imag_ne sculpture, outside Mona Vale Library followed by exhibition viewing and afternoon tea in the Library.

The imag_ne exhibition features works from local primary and senior students responding to the theme “imagine”. The works showcase the artists’ imaginations, whilst celebrating the return of the imag_ne sculpture to Pittwater.


Artwork by Amber Knights, Year 1, Cloud Stories, 2014