RELIEVING PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

I would like to start this newsletter by thanking Mrs Baldi and Mr Hearne for relieving as principal during my recent sick leave. They have both done an exceptional job and I am very thankful for their support.

We have come to the end of yet another busy term. Students and staff have been involved in a very wide range of activities that contribute to the incredible opportunities available to students at Newport. Our school Open Day was a terrific success, showcasing the incredible variety of activities students at Newport engage in. This year, the sculptures produced in the Young Artists' program were a fabulous addition. The Young Musicians’, Young Communicators’, dance and drama programs have once again showcased the musical and performance abilities of our students whilst the Premier’s Spelling Bee pitted our best spellers against each other in the Stage 2 and 3 finals. Our Year 2 students greatly enjoyed raising ducklings and our Year 4 students visited camp and caught up with their buddies from Punchbowl Public School.

Newport has also experienced great success in the sporting arena, having been crowned State Champions in both rugby union and netball. In snowsports, Newport once again did very well, with both State and National champions in the team.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the teaching and administrative staff throughout this term. Behind the scenes, led by Mrs Baldi, teachers have engaged in an exciting new action learning process involving collaborative planning, lesson observation, feedback and refinement. This process has centred around concepts from the new K-10 Mathematics Syllabus being introduced in 2015. They have also undertaken professional learning in the care of students with epilepsy and anaphylaxis as well as updating their CPR certifications.

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.

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 the fabulous musical talent of Newport students. I would also like to thank Lesley Cruickshank and Julie Parker for their organisation of the showcase this year. Once again it was a great showcase of our Newport talent.

Netball Champions
Congratulations to our State Knockout Netball team. On Monday, the girls accompanied by Ms Brandenburg, Mrs Windon and Mrs Clements, travelled to Lidcombe to play in the finals of the PSSA Netball Knockout Competition. The girls played magnificently, winning the final 34-17. We are incredibly excited and are very proud of all of them. Well done! More details feature later in the newsletter.

State Dance Festival
A big congratulations to our fabulous dance group who’s outstanding performance at the Seymour Centre was enjoyed by all. See Sandra Nicol’s report on this wonderful event further on in the Natter.

Congratulations Stella Campbell
Well done Stella for your selection in the girls state softball team. To be a state representative in two teams (cricket and softball) in the same year is truly a wonderful accomplishment. The Newport community is extremely proud of your achievement and we wish you the best of luck when you compete in the national competition later in the year.
UNSW English Competition
This year 70 students from year 3 - 6 took part in the International English Competition and Assessment for Schools which is administered by the UNSW. The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) English exam assesses reading and language skills in a range of contexts.
Newport school students were awarded 1 High Distinction, 15 Distinctions, 21 Credits, 7 Merits and 26 Participation Certificates. All students are to be congratulated on these fine results. Special mention and congratulations to the following students:

**High Distinction**
Kirita Geeves

**Distinction**
Dakota Viviers
Roxy Quinn
Huo Mawson
Oskar Hall
Charli Yeats
Lullubelle Ryberg Neale
Eleanor Yetts-McKernan
Samuel Giddy
Daniel Anstey
Tobias Urban
Mia Molloy
Noah Meinrath
Daisy Daddo
Anaia Cruickshank
Ben Ashe

Band photo reminder
We printed a mistake in the Natter two weeks ago. If you would like to order a band photo the correct web address is [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) and the order code is QCF LL1LKB. Alternatively you can pick up an order form from the office.

Regional Athletics
Last Tuesday Newport sent 15 students to compete in the regional athletics carnival in a bid to be selected in the state team. The students did themselves and our school extremely proud, competing to their best abilities and showing excellent sportsmanship. There were some great performances by the junior and seniors girls relay teams and they were unlucky not to be placed in their finals. The team’s highlight was Ashlie Edwards coming second in the girls open 800 metres and being selected in the NSW team. We’d like to wish Ashlie all the best at her next stage of competition.

School Evaluation: Parent Survey
Every year at this time the school evaluates its performance from the previous year to celebrate our achievements and highlight areas for improvement for the following year.
A large part of this evaluation is to measure parent satisfaction.
We would like to get information about the school’s performance from as many parents as we can.
To participate in our parent satisfaction survey please go to: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3XXXJZV](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3XXXJZV)
The survey should only take about five minutes. All responses are confidential and your honesty will be very useful in creating future directions for the school.

Warm regards,
Anthony Moran
Relieving Principal

Dates for your diary

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**Teddy Bears Picnic**

This week the Kindergarten classes will be going to Gibberagong Environmental Education Centre, in the Muogamarra Nature Reserve. The children undertake a variety of hands on and fun activities as they explore the basic needs of life to understand P.A.W.S which stands for Plants or food, Air, Water and Shelter. The program is especially designed for kindy students with the aim of nurturing respect for the natural world. The children are very excited to meet Edward the chief teddy bear and to take their own teddies with them on the picnic. It should be a fabulous day of fun and learning.

*Kindergarten Teachers*

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**PSSA State Netball Knockout**

527 schools across NSW entered this year’s NSW PSSA Netball knockout. We commenced playing our first round way back in Term 2. After 7 rounds, which included a couple of really close games, we made it through to the finals day at Ann Clark Centre at Lidcombe. The top 8 teams from all over NSW were there. In the first game we played Banora Point PS from the North Coast. The opposition was very strong but we managed to build on an early lead with the final score being 31 to 20. In the semi-finals we came up against a very strong team from Blayney. At one stage they took a 1 goal lead. However, the girls were playing magnificent netball and fought back to be slightly ahead going into the last quarter. Our superior fitness and skill level saw us dominate the last quarter, the final score 32 to 21 not really an indication of how tough the game was. Then to the finals! Tamworth South PS had dominated their side of the draw. However, our girls were extremely determined finishing with a comfortable 34 to 17 win. This meant Newport PS are state champions - and for the second year in a row! The members of the champion team were Ashlie Edwards, Stella Campbell, Sacha Clements, Heidi Richardson, Louisa Mitchell, Jemima Tomas, Jasmine Lerpiniere, Chloe Shepherd and Charlie Yeats and our special “super-subs” Jessica Gudmunson and Eladie Jones. A very special thank you goes to Monica Lerpiniere who was our umpire and travelled with us to all the games. Thanks also to the parents who supported the girls and provided transport including a trip to the Central Coast. Mrs Windon and Mrs Clements were invaluable with their help also assisting with training and support at the games. But it was the girls who displayed great skill, determination and teamwork who really deserved this success. We should all be very proud of not just the win but also the way they represented the school with such pride and enthusiasm. Congratulations girls.

*Ms B*
Dance News

Last night I found it extremely difficult to sleep! Having returned from an amazing State Dance Festival performance by our Years 3 & 4 dance group at the Seymour Centre I was on cloud 9 . . . wait . . . no, it must have been cloud 99!!! The children were on fire and they took the audience with them. They lit up the stage, they sparkled, they dazzled and they delivered everything I had asked of them and more.

It was a night of excellence and our Newport students shone! The audience connected with the performers and showed their appreciation with thunderous applause. Miss Jefferys and I could barely contain our excitement side stage as we knew the children had ‘nailed it’, ‘knocked it out of the park’ and absolutely ‘danced up a storm’. The faces of the parents and grandparents as they greeted us backstage spoke volumes. It was indeed a triumph for all and a wonderful conclusion to a spectacular year of dance for our talented performers.

My sincere thanks to our parent and grandparent helpers for their support and encouragement throughout the year. A very special thanks to Anne Hunt and Karina Daddo for their organisation and communication skills and their attention to every detail. A big thank you also to Emily Jefferys for her assistance at our dance rehearsals this year.

It has been a pleasure working with both the children and the parents this year and our performance on Monday evening said it all! I can’t wait for our Year 2 children to grace the stage on Wednesday evening and again for the matinee on Friday. It will be their turn to shine!

Good luck Year 2. Have fun!

Sandra Nicol

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CANTEEN ROSTER

WOW I cannot believe that we are at the end of Term 3. Thank you to everyone that has helped out this term.

Please enjoy the holidays, be safe and take care of each other. I will see you in Term 4 :)

**Week 1 Term 4**

Tuesday 7th Oct:  K Robinson, P Moore  
Wed 8th Oct:  N Scamps, P Shields, K Ockwell, M Davidson  
Thurs 9th Oct:  B Griffiths  
Fri 10th Oct:  S Maunder, M Lindsay, T Gowen, M Dian

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It is almost time again to order your ginger bread houses. Watch this space for details soon

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UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

**Term 4 – First Open**
The first open for Term 4 will be Tuesday, 7 October at 3pm. (Online orders placed during the holidays will be delivered to your child on this day)

**Leaving Newport?**
If your child is leaving Newport Public School at the end of 2014, please consider donating unwanted uniforms to the uniform shop. All profits go to the P&C.

**Online Ordering (during school terms)**
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 (during school terms)**
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 enquirers, please contact newportuniformshop@hotmail.com or Carla Pettitt 0413-804-015 & Kate Raffles 0413-519-872.
The Australian Interschool Titles held at Perisher brought together the best snow sport athletes from NSW, QLD, ACT, VIC and SA. Newport sent 9 competitors who competed in a variety of team combinations in 6 different disciplines. As predicted the Scots College (NSW), Scotch College (VIC) and Jindabyne Public School proved to be Newport senior boys’ main stumbling block and it seemed a constant battle between the four schools to secure a podium gold, silver or bronze team result.

The week began with the Cross Country events which were delayed from the start as the snow groomers went into damage control regrooming the trails after the previous night's torrential rain. The senior boys’ team came a credible 2nd overall in the Cross Country Freestyle with Scots taking the honours. Finnley Sadler the number one seeded skier in the first rank proved he was the one to beat with a solid performance of skill, co-ordination, fitness and overall skiing ability. He took the lead and held it to the very end. The sight of Finnley powering to his victory with a massive lead over the other 32 competitors is a vision that will remain firmly etched in my mind for some time. The team also finished 2nd in the Cross Country relay once again to Scots.

The following day the snowboarding events were held on Front and Centre Valley with the Moguls held at Cold Shoulder at Bluecow. This presented quite a challenge for those competing in both disciplines as they had to change boots and catch the tube back down to Perisher. Finnley Sadler, being one of them arrived in time to post a qualifying time and along with Mike Hogan and Mac Omm finished 2nd overall to Jindabyne Public School. That afternoon the senior boys went one better and won the Snowboard GS. The junior snowboarders also fared well with a 5th in the GS and an 8th in the Boarder Cross. Mac Omm's near faultness two combined runs saw him take gold in the Snowboard GS and once again we had another National Champion. Many thanks to Brad Keeling (Tully Heather's Grandfather) a former world cup start marshall who gave his day to volunteer marshall both races on what could only be described as a "Perisher" of a day.

Friday saw a return to fine weather for the SkierX events held on Centre Valley. Newport's Senior Boys’ team once again skied beautifully but narrowly missed the podium by a 1.5 seconds to finish 4th behind Scotch, Scots and Jindabyne Public School. Finnley Sadler on the other hand took gold notching up his second win and another Australian title.

**Team Results**

Cross Country Ski Freestyle Senior Boys’ team - 2nd  
Cross Country Ski Relay Senior Boys’ team - 2nd  
Snowboard GS Junior Boys’ team - 5th  
Snowboard GS Senior Boys’ team - 1st  
Moguls Boarder Cross Junior Boys’ team - 8th  
Moguls Boarder Cross Senior Boys’ team - 2nd  
Moguls Ski Senior Boys’ team - 10th  
Skier Cross Senior Boys’ team - 4th

**Individual Results**

Cross Country Freestyle Ski Div 4 Boys 1st Place - Finnley Sadler  
Snowboard GS Div 4 Boys 1st Place - Mac Omm  
Skier Cross Div 4 Boys 1st Place - Finnley Sadler

**Co-Ed Schools Overall Results**

1st - Jindabyne Central School 173  
2nd - Falls Creek Primary School 148  
3rd - Geelong Grammar School Junior 115  
4th Melbourne Grammar School - Grimwade House 89  
5th - Snowy Mountains Grammar 70  
6th Newport Public School 62

Many thanks to all our families who made the 500km journey to Perisher and helped with team managing and marshalling.

Mark Tickle
MUSIC NEWS

Band Photos: the band photographs taken with the school photos are now available for purchase. You will need to go to the website www.advancedlife.com.au. On entering the home page enter the following code where it says enter your code here on the right – QCFL1LKB. Go to Group Photos and scroll down to Performance Band, Stage Band or String Orchestra. Each photo costs $14.00 with a $1.00 processing fee. They are distributed via the school.

NSSWE Spring Concert: Congratulations to the performance band and stage band who played beautifully at the NSWWE Spring Concert at Chatswood on Sunday. It is a great venue and the state-of-the-art acoustics made them sound even better. See photo below.

Dates for Diary
18th September  Concert Band playing at primary assembly
16th October  String Orchestra playing at primary assembly
22nd October  Music Committee Meeting
15th November All wind ensembles playing at Avalon Market Day starting at 11.00am
19th November Annual General Meeting
25th November  Twilight Concert

Wanted:

Year 5 and 6 students to learn Lawn Bowls on Saturdays at Newport Lawn Bowls Club!

The club are keen to start a Junior Lawn Bowls Club and would like Year 5 and 6 students from Newport to play bowls on Saturday mornings. Dennis Heath is a registered coach and will teach your child:

- How to play Lawn Bowls
- The rules of the game
- How to score

Lawn Bowls is a low impact sport and your child will only need a hat and flat shoes. There is no charge for the coaching. Dennis anticipates that the sessions will begin at 9am and finish at about 11am each Saturday.

Interested students and parents should contact Dennis Heath at: cdspin@bigpond.net.au
smARTy pants

…Newport’s own fun and fabulous dramatic arts group for children!

Term 4 sees smARTy pants come to the grounds of Newport Public! Your child can come straight to an educational, exciting and energetic Drama Club straight after school!

Who? – Year 1 to Year 6 boys and girls

When? – Thursdays from 3.30 to 4.30pm

What? – Super –Fun Drama Classes

Where? – Newport Public School in the VC room (access from the primary playground near the Beaconsfield Road entrance path).

Fee? - $90.00 per 10 week term

Contact - Victoria E. Lockhart BA (Hons) Dip. Ed.
Drama & English Teacher, Tutor and Education Consultant

Telephone- 0405 146 345
E-Mail - smartypantsdrama@gmail.com
Facebook- www.facebook.com/smartypantsdrama

Learn through play the smARTy pants way!

MONA VALE LONG LUNCH

SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2014
BUNGAN LANE (North) MONA VALE, 11AM TO 4PM

Pittwater Council is hosting a long lunch at Mona Vale on Saturday 20 September 2014 at Bungan Lane at Mona Vale.

• Hot food
• Live Music
• Fun activities for the children
• Fitness in the park from 9am (Village Park)
• Mini market

For Information: Nikki Griffith on 9970 1165 or email nikki_griffith@pittwater.nsw.gov.au

www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au
CALL FOR 2015 FETE VOLUNTEERS

ARE YOU SUPER ORGANISED?
ARE YOU UP FOR A CHALLENGE?
LIKE TO DO SOMETHING THAT REALLY MAKES A DIFFERENCE?
LIKE TO HELP YOUR KIDS AND THEIR SCHOOL?

We are looking for a new volunteer(s) to take on the big and rewarding job of running our next school fete in 2015. A group of two or more people would be ideal to organise the event and manage the team of Class Mums that will manage individual stalls. After a few years without a fete, the last 2 x fetes have been a huge success, raising large amounts of much needed funds for our school. In addition to the financial benefit the fete provides, the fete is a school and local community event that is a memorable occasion for all. It is a very exciting day and major highlight for all of our students.

The 2015 Fete Organisers shall have the support, assistance and guidance of the 2013 organisers.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the head of P&C Fundraising, Shani Law on either 0400 654 253 or shanilaw@hotmail.com
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?

NOOSH – 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 NOOSH to use the centre on either a permanent or casual basis.

NOOSH 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.

NOOSH 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 NOOSH know – it is not the responsibility of the school to do so.

T 3 & 4 NOOSH Parent Management Committee meeting dates.

All parents of NOOSH are welcome to attend. Meetings are held at NOOSH. 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.
About Us

Mums for Mums charity was formed in 2011, initially to raise funds for a dear friend who was diagnosed with a second brain tumour in 7 years, which required surgery, chemotherapy and radiotherapy. With the funds raised on our very first night we were able to support her, her husband and their 4 children with a cleaner, a laundry service, meals and car pooling the children to school and various after school activities. From this one fundraiser MUMS for MUMS was born.

After the fundraiser MUMS for MUMS was approached by other mums at Newport Public School who asked if we were able to help their friends who were dealing with various critical illnesses. Mums for Mums is to support families at NEWPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL through times of illness or death of a loved one so they can spend quality time as a family. Since its inception we have helped over 20 families, and we are currently supporting five families at school.

Our ultimate goal would be to have a MUMS for MUMS organised in all school communities along the Peninsula.

How Can You Help?

Each year we hold several major fundraising events. This year it’s the SUNSET DISCO (SEE POSTER BELOW). Now for a few facts about the disco

- It’s Adults Only – you will have much more fun without the kids
- Cost is $40 per head which includes yummy food from our incredible caterer Sundweesh, a welcome drink and fabulous entertainment from DJ Kit Kat (yes she started as an adults DJ)
- Drinks can be bought at the Surfclub Bar at surfclub prices
- There is NO theme or dress code
- No raffles, auctions or additional requests for money on the night

We would like the school and greater Newport community to come together for a pre-silly season party to have a great night out while helping raise much needed funds for the Mums for Mums support group so we can continue helping those who need us.

Please check out our website www.mumsformums.org.au

We would also love you to spread the word via social media by liking our Facebook page Mums for Mums.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have.
Email mumsformumsnewport@gmail.com

Tickets are available at trybooking.com – see the link on the poster below

GET YOUR DANCING SHOES ON AND SEE YOU ON THE 25TH OCTOBER!!!
ADULTS ONLY

SUNSET DISCO

SATURDAY OCTOBER 25 2014

7PM - 12AM
NEWPORT SURF CLUB

FEATURING DJ KIT KAT AND FOOD BY SUNDWEESH.

$40 PER TICKET. CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE OR VISIT WWW.MUMSFORMUMS.ORG.AU

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NEWPORT E.S.G. AUSTRALIA
Newport Surf Lifesaving Club Nippers Registration

14th & 21st September at Newport Surf Club

Season Starts October 12th.

Nippers is about learning and having fun in a safe beach environment. At Nippers kids learn and gain confidence in swimming, body boarding, board paddling, dolphin diving, spotting a rip, beach sprints, flags and more. Nippers teach kids life skills and safety knowledge while at the beach however it's not all hard work! They learn new skills and make new friends in a friendly fun community environment.

Nippers is for kids from 5-14 years.

For further information contact:

Karen HENNESSY, Newport Nippers Chairman - henn2kar@optusnet.com.au

Or

Monica LERPINIERE, Business Development Manager - almonz@bigpond.com

Or look at the website

www.newportsurfclub.com.au