RELIEVING PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

On Thursday night, our Year 5 Boys and their Dad/Friend braved the weather to attend the Boys’ Night Out. This special night marked the launch of the Leadership program for Newport boys and was headlined by our special guest speaker, Charlie Brooks. Charlie spoke with fond memories about his time at Newport, the importance of being a positive role model to younger students, the power of small gestures, challenging ourselves to do our personal best and the importance of teamwork. The Year 5 boys were an attentive and thoughtful audience as during question time, Charlie reminded students to enjoy their last year at Newport, informed the boys about the responsibilities of being a leader and gave tips on dealing with the transition to high school. The evening concluded with a video clip reminding us all to focus on the big picture, but not to lose sight of the little things along the way.

Many thanks to Charlie Brooks and Mr Moran, and to Mr Michael, Mrs Logan, Mrs Walter and Mr Renkert for coordinating a thought provoking and fun event and to everyone who attended the Nights Out. The Year 5 students will take part in leadership training sessions over the next few weeks, culminating in the nomination and selection of our 2016 school leaders - we are certainly looking forward to seeing their development into the leaders of our school.

On Wednesday, Edward Ashe, Sarah Wheeler, Edward Stokes and Emily Gaynor participated in the Youth Eco Summit 2015 as part of a PCS initiative. The children’s behaviour throughout the day was outstanding as they became totally immersed in what they were doing and learning at each of the “hands on” exhibits, ranging from sheep shearing to designing houses. Congratulations to the students and the PCS for a great initiative and to Ingrid Mailler for co-ordinating this opportunity.

Our Kindergarten Orientation Program also continued on Wednesday with our rather settled 2016 cohort of students returning to engage in a treasure hunt around the school, some craft activities and to enjoy some quality literature. Whilst it was a very warm morning, many parents joined us in the hall for a presentation by Maxine Rosenfield on Healthy Thinking for Students Starting School and we very much appreciated her insight on childhood development. Following this, Julie Parker workshopped the “catastrophe scale” with parents, which gave them a better understanding of what we do to support students in developing the skills to be responsible, to think, and eventually, to problem solve (just the little ones) independently. Many thanks to Julie, Maxine and the Kindergarten team.
are looking forward to next week.

The Year 2 students were back to their regular routine last week, after two weeks at swimming school. They all reported having had a wonderful time as well as developing their swimming skills through this intensive training. Many thanks to Jenny Falconer for co-ordinating the program and to the Year 2 team and our support staff for accompanying the students and ensuring the success of the program.

This is a quick reminder that next year, all of our students from K-6 will be wearing the Newport broad-brimmed hat as part of the school uniform and Newport caps will no longer be sold or accepted as headwear that provides adequate protection from the sun.

Over the last few months, some of our industrious parents have been busy researching an alternative to our current school hoodie. The solution they have come up with is a stylish, soft shell jacket that is both windproof & rainproof. It is a unisex product & looks great with both the boys & girls summer & winter uniforms. It is also believed to be a warmer jacket than our current style. The proposal is to introduce this new jacket as an eventual replacement for our current style of hoodie. This would take the next couple of years to phase in & of course our current style of hoodie would still be part of the school uniform until this point, ensuring parents are not forced to buy a new piece of uniform unnecessarily. The cost of the new jacket would be $55 and it will take a bit of time for second hand stock to become available. Before the Uniform Shop embarks on this process, we would like to get your feedback about the jacket, through a short survey and invite you to have a look and feel of the sample jackets on display in the Uniform Shop. The survey will be emailed soon, through your class parent and all comments are welcome through this forum or directly to the Uniform Shop.

newportuniformshop@hotmail.com

Mr Renkert, the Girls Cricket Team and their parents had a long way to travel on Monday to play Camden South in the State Cricket Knockout. As reported by My Renkert, Newport won the toss and elected to bat. Edie batted very well, hitting good singles and making great quick runs. Charli belted a quick fire 40, not out. Newport set a total of 165. Our bowling attack was on point. Accurate bowling from Esme, Emma, Charli and Louisa made it very difficult for Camden to score runs. Terrific fielding created 4 run outs. Camden made 45 runs.

Well done girls! Our next game is against Bateau Bay.

Regards,

Natalie Baldi
Relieving Principal

Images of Greatness - An Initiative Made Possible Through P & C Funds for our GATS Program

Newport had a few famous faces land in our library last term and the audience enjoyed the privilege of conversing with the likes of Aristotle, Eleanor of Aquitain, Duke Kahan Amoku, the Dalai Lama, Alfred Nobel and Corrie Ten Boom, just to name a few. The presentations led by the students, were the culmination of a ten week, in depth research program initiated as they used their heads and hearts to choose a significant person from history, whose characteristics,
LIBRARY NEWS/BOOK FAIR

Our Book Fair will be in the library on Thursday 12th November (Week 6) from 3.30 – 7.00 pm. The selection of books from which you can purchase will include a wide range of quality fiction and non fiction books from the best Australian and overseas authors and illustrators. All books are discounted and some are at greatly reduced prices. This is a great opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping while supporting our library at the same time.

Children will be able to look at the books during their library session the week before, when they will be able to jot down a ‘wish list’ for you to look at. Parents will be able to preview the books in the library between 9.00 – 9.25 am on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th November (Week 5), and Monday 9th and Thursday 12th November (Week 6).

Our Book Fair selling afternoon/evening is:
Thursday 12th November, 2015, 3.30 – 7.00 pm in the library.

Carnival has an option on its website (carnivalfairs.com.au/) where you can pay for books you wish to buy/order on-line using your credit card. Click on ‘Parent Payments’ at the top of the page. All you need to do is bring the printed receipt to school on Thursday afternoon/evening, or send it with your child, to collect or order the book/s. Alternatively, Eftpos and credit card facilities will be available (Visa and Mastercard only) in the library on the evening. If you cannot attend in person, credit card payment slips are available on the back of the ‘wish lists’ that children will bring home and can be sent to school with your child/ren (or cash or cheques made out to ‘Carnival Fairs’) on the Thursday.

You, your family and friends are most welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

Stephanie Bracey, Sally Morgan and Rita Ericsson.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 2nd: N Cronan, T Lee, P Moore
Tues 3rd: D Lee, P Moore
Wed 4th: N Scamps, V Brown, S Lewis
Thurs 5th: N Sampson, N Holland
Fri 6th: L Brown, K Seale, Phoebe, J Pepper

RAISING RESPONSIBLE DIGITAL CITIZENS

Narrabri Sports High School proudly presents one of Australia’s leading cyber safety education organisations. Known as the ‘Cyber Safety Squad’ who will share their expertise. In the adult only presentation, we invite you to learn about issues with:

- Cyber bullying
- Smart phone safety
- Avoiding adult content
- Screen time balance
- Safe social media

DATES: Sunday 3rd October
TIME: 6.45 – 7.00 pm
VENUE: Narrabri Sports High School

Tickets are limited, bookings are essential. Narrabri School Library will call you on Sunday 3rd October. Please note that this presentation is for adults only. Please do not bring children without written consent.
Once upon a time, there was a student named Sophie, who was the keeper of a fantastic book of creative writing filled with tales of magic, courage, adventure...

The dragon and the wolf cub.

A LONG LONG time ago in the kingdom of Deliria, there was a little girl called Tiffany. One day she went for a walk with her wolf cub called Wolfie. On her way to the woods, she heard a hiss (like a dragon was breathing out fire). When Tiffany went further into the woods, she saw a baby dragon curled up next to a tree. This baby dragon looked so sad! Tiffany said, "Wolfie, Tiffany took the sad baby dragon back home. When she got back, she called her best friend Luna and said, "I found a baby dragon!"

The next day, Luna came rushing over to Tiffany's house. Luna said, "Can't see the dragon, can we see the dragon?" Tiffany replied, "Sure, but there is one thing I want to ask you! Luna said, "What is the one thing?" Tiffany said, "I don't know what to name the baby dragon!" So Luna picked up the baby dragon and said, "I think we should name it Blaze." Tiffany replied, "I think that's a great name. The official name of the dragon is... BLAZE!"

The next day, Luna, Tiffany, Wolfie, and Blaze went up the stairs of the spell casting and witchery tower to teach the baby dragon how to fly.

(You are probably wondering why you would go up a tower to teach a baby dragon how to fly! The reason is because there is a training field in the tower, and now let's get back to the story.)

So they all went to the training field to teach Blaze how to fly. After a long day of teaching, they all went to bed and woke-up to the thinking! So they got ready and Tiffany and Luna met at the big enchanted oak trees.

When Tiffany and Luna met-up, Tiffany showed Luna where she found Blaze because Luna really wanted a dragon too. When they got there, they saw a whole flock of dragons. Tiffany says, "I think they're looking for something." Then Tiffany said, "I think they're looking for Blaze!"

So they quickly went to give Blaze to his family, and when they did they
Academic Enrichment News

We are extremely lucky at Newport to have P&C financial support that provides extension and enrichment opportunities for academically talented students.

In Term 4, we will use the P&C funding to withdraw two groups of children from their classes, giving them the opportunity to extend their abilities.

The first group is an enrichment Mathematics group for Stage 3 students. Through the CSIRO initiative, Mathematicians in schools, we have teamed with Richard Lorenzo, a financial analyst from PricewaterhouseCoopers. Richard is an extremely talented person, having university degrees in nuclear science, economics and law. We are lucky to have him as a partner in learning and during Term 4 he will deliver lessons to our extension maths group and be available to answer students’ questions via email.

During his first lesson he told students his personal story about being academically talented but unmotivated at school. He described a teacher who identified his talents in maths and led him on the path of academic success. This was a very valuable story for our students to hear. He then went on to teach the students about interest rates and lending and borrowing, ideas he works with in his current occupation.

The students have taken information from this lesson and created their own assignments. Some of them are planning to write letters to various financial institutions or survey parents to try and learn more about money and interest rates. Others are planning to do some online research and create a business plan for a financial institution.

The students will work on their assignments over the coming weeks before presenting their work to Richard in Week 9.

The CSIRO Mathematicians in Schools is a national program supporting long-term, professional partnerships between practising mathematicians and teachers across Australia. It aims to give students exposure to Mathematics in real-life contexts, demonstrating its value in future careers.

More information about the CSIRO Mathematicians in schools go to:

http://www.mathematiciansinschools.edu.au/

The second extension program running this term is being taught to a group of talented Year 2, literacy students by Miss Ashleigh Mallin. She will run lessons every Wednesday afternoon linking persuasive techniques to the students in-class topic of change in the local area. Students will learn about Newport and its surrounds, mapping skills and writing and public speaking techniques as they design a pamphlet to advertise our local area using the computer program, Publisher.

Adam Hearne
**MUSIC NEWS**

Our Music Information Evening is coming up on Tuesday 17th November in the School Library starting at 7.00pm. This is a great, commitment free chance to meet conductors and find out all about the Music Program at Newport.

All our wind ensembles will be playing at Avalon Market Day on Saturday 21st November between 10.00am and 11.00am. Further details will be emailed by your band manager.

**Dates for Diary**

- **Thurs 12th Nov**  Performance Band playing at Primary Assembly (need to bring instruments)
- **Tues 17th Nov**  Music Information Evening
- **Sat 21st Nov**  Avalon Market Day; Training Band, Concert Band, Performance Band and Stage Band performing between 10.00am and 11.00am
- **Tues 1st Dec**  Twilight Concert and End of Year BBQ
- **Thurs 3rd & 10th Dec**  Hired instrument return
- **Thurs 10th Dec**  Annual General Meeting

**SUN SMART NEWS**

**What is ultraviolet (UV) radiation?**

UV radiation comes from the sun, but unlike sunlight, it can’t be seen or felt. It comes directly from the sun and can also be scattered in the air and reflected by surfaces such as buildings, concrete, glass, sand, snow and water. UV radiation can pass through light cloud and can be damaging to skin on cool, cloudy days as well as on hot, sunny days.

There are three types of UV radiation:
- **UVA**: transmits freely through the earth’s atmosphere.
- **UVB**: about 15% of UVB transmits through to the earth’s atmosphere. The rest is absorbed by ozone.
- **UVC**: is absorbed by ozone and does not reach the earth’s surface.

UVA and UVB both contribute to sunburn, skin ageing, eye damage and skin cancer. Your risk of developing skin cancer is related to the amount of UV radiation you are exposed to over your lifetime, particularly in childhood.

So please remember to:

![Sun Smart](sunsmart_icon.png)

**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

**Kindy Orientation**

The uniform shop will be open on October 28th 10:30-11:30am for the last Kindy 2016 Orientation. We will also have an open day in January before school starts, January 27th 9-10am.

**Sun safety**

The uniform shop sells Cancer Council’s Ezi Clip suncream for $10. It is easy to clip onto your child’s backpack and a great way to get more protection from the sun.

**Online 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 Mari Simpson 0438-773-006 & Louise Woods 0404-164-994.
2016 Enrolments at NOOSHC for both permanent and casual positions.

It’s that time of the year again – all families should have received the enrolment packs for 2016 – if you have not received same please contact NOOSHC immediately as they are due back by Friday October 30th (current families) & new enrolments by Friday Nov 6th.

Any enrolments (current & new) made after these dates will be received and placed on the waitlist list in order of submission.

If your child is not currently enrolled and you would like a 2016 Enrolment package for your new kindy (2016) or current NPS student please ring or drop into the centre and collect an enrolment package.

Please ensure that each child has an individual enrolment package – this is filed under the various individual groupings of “K” (Kindergarten)
Yr 1
Yr2
and “P” (Yrs 3, 4,5 & 6)

– especially important for staff to easily access if your child does not turn up at care and we need to contact you ASAP.

NOOSHC provides essential, convenient, quality before and after school care on-site, enabling parents / carers to work, undertake study/training or other activities, with the knowledge that their child/ren are being well cared for in a safe, healthy and happy environment. The centre offers before and after school care during the school term only.

Your child/ren must be enrolled with NOOSHC to use the centre on either a permanent or casual basis.

Association Membership / Registration fee
$ 40.00 1st child / $ 30.00 2nd child
$ 20.00 each additional child (annually)

Please ensure that when returning your enrolments packages that you include the association membership / registration fee (cash or cheque) and all relevant paperwork fully completed so that your placement can be processed.

Enrolments packages are also reviewed each year to ensure that all required information is detailed on the forms/brochure etc – the 2016 forms have been updated in line with the Education & Care Services National Regulations and have new additional information required included on them.

Enrolment enquiries please phone the Centre Manager - Jo Newton  ☎ 02 9979 9874
Skater HQ at NOOSHC !!!!!!

ASC Thursday – Weeks 1, 3, 5, 7 & 9 & ASC Friday Weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10.

4.00pm – 5.10pm (approx)

For all children (both permanent & casual)
registered at NOOSHC
in Years 3 thru to Year 6

The children who have attended the Skater HQ (in-line skating, skate boarding, rip boards, and scooters) have increased their skills & confidence tremendously over the past term.

Children describe Skater HQ – “This is fun!” “I’m going to get mum to book me in for next week” “Wow – I can stand up” “Now look at me” “It’s the best!” “Can we keep on doing this?” “I just did a big jump!” “I couldn’t do this before – now I can!”

There is no additional cost for Skater HQ – it is included in your ASC fee.

Enrolment enquiries welcome – drop in for an enrolment package.

NOOSHC Phone: 9979 9874
Centre Manager: Jo Newton