RELIEVING PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents,

I am sorry to have to begin the week with some very sad news. Laura Dalton, Joseph Dalton’s Mother, died last Thursday night. Joseph is in 2JF and at this difficult time, our thoughts are with him and his Dad, Keiran. We know that our wonderful Newport community will be wanting to offer support to Keiran and Joseph and we will be in contact with you in the coming weeks to let you know the best ways we can assist them. If you feel you need some support in the way of counselling or in talking with your child about these issues, please don’t hesitate to contact me through the school office, so we can support you and your family through this difficult time.

New Families Looking Forward to Next Year

Our three week Kindergarten Orientation Program for our 2016 cohort finished last week and it seems we have approximately 100 very excited little people, some who are feeling ready and willing to start school tomorrow! Congratulations and thank you to Mrs Parker for leading the wonderful Kindergarten Team; Mrs Gutherson, Miss Jeffreys, Mrs Rosser, Miss Pretty, Miss Jewell and Miss Blazejewski and together, planning such engaging activities for the students as well as the informative and well-attended workshops for parents in the hall. Many thanks to the Year 5 team for helping to prepare the Year 5 helpers for their leadership role next year and to the very responsible Year 6 students for assisting with organisation. We very much appreciated Maxine Rosenfield’s time with us to present on “Healthy Thinking for Kindergarten Children.” Many thanks to Jo Newton who supported us in the hall with our new families across all 3 weeks, to Marie Simpson, Louise Woods and their band of helpers for opening the Uniform Shop (and to Louise for her culinary skills-yum) and to Tammy and the canteen for the fun of purchasing that canteen treat during the last week of the program. Finally, a very big thank you to Jo, Krys, Cathy, Paula and Rita in the office, for their superb communication and organization for the event which made everything run like clockwork. What a year we have to look forward to – after a bit of a holiday break first!

“Just Like You” is a disability awareness program for primary school students and is designed to build understanding, acceptance and tolerance as students learn that people with a disability are the same as everyone else – they are ‘just like you’. Newport has been hosting the program for students in Year 5 for the past few years and this year, we have expanded this, to deliver the program to Years 1-6. During two 45 minutes sessions, the students have positive and direct experience with a
person with a disability in an open and honest atmosphere. In this forum, questions, which are seen as an integral part of the program, are encouraged and appropriately addressed by the presenters, with the aim of changing students’ perceptions of disabilities. If you would like to find out more about the program, please visit http://www.justlikemyou.org.au/ or see an outline of the session content below. Many thanks to Adam Hearne for coordinating the program.

Council is engaging the community to seek opinion on possible changes to the parking restrictions within the Kalinya Street/Queens Parade Carpark (opposite Newport Arms and servicing the local shops) managed by Council. They have prepared a flyer seeking opinion on changing 9 car spaces to 1 hour parking and 18 car spaces to either 2 or 3 hour parking. All other parking within the Carpark will remain unrestricted. To allow Council to make any changes they seek to receive input from the wider community in the first instance so included in this week’s Natter, is their survey for your feedback. Please return it to …

School Evaluation
This week, you will receive an email requesting your response to our school evaluation surveys on parent satisfaction with the school. Your feedback is highly valued and we would very much appreciate you time to complete these to assist us with our planning for 2016.

Back to School Pack 2016
In the coming weeks, we will again be sending home a “Back to School Pack” with details on how to purchase your child’s textbooks online through Dominie. This system was trialled last year and was very successful in replacing the textbook sale hosted by Dominie in our school hall. The online ordering will open later this month with step by step instructions for parents to purchase the set of required books. The textbooks will be delivered to school during Week 2 of Term 1 2016. The books will be individually packed with each child’s name. This year we will not be using Flexischools to order stationery but as part of the “Back to School Pack,” will provide each grade with a list of stationery required for the following year, which can be purchased during the sale times, to help you prepare early for the start of school.

Sometimes stories are a good way to help children express feelings, open conversations and understand grief and loss. It is important to be honest and inclusive, adjusting descriptions and details as appropriate for the age of the child. We have a number of books by Petrea King in our school library and the other resources can be found on the website listed below.


Another website that has a fabulous list of picture books categorized under social/emotional wellbeing headings can be found at;


We also have many of these titles in our school library.

Regards,

Natalie Baldi
Relieving Principal

PARLIAMENT REPORT
On the 19th October, Year 6 had their first parliament meeting of Term 4. We discussed more topics about how the school could be a better place. We will start with Sport and Leisure. The Ministers, Violet and Jai talked about having a lunch time homework club because if you have sport or music after school you could do your homework at school at lunchtime. This motion was defeated.

Student Wellbeing Ministers Gabi and Beatriz discussed the possibility of a 3\4 and 5\6 canteen line. This is because when people are trying to get food they have to wait in a long line and can end up missing out because they have to go park. This motion was carried and we went to see Tammy in the canteen, to talk about the possibility of a second line. Tammy reported to us that it was a great idea but the canteen would need a few more parent volunteers to provide the second line.

The Ministers for Grounds and Environment, Ted and Noah, talked about having paper towels in the bathroom. This is because when people shake their hands it makes the floor slippery or they shake their wet hands all over people. This motion was defeated.

For Fundraising and Charities Ministers, Sarah and Kalani, talked about having paper towels in the bathroom. This is because when people shake their hands it makes the floor slippery or they shake their wet hands all over people. This motion was defeated.

The award for the best comment went to Will Colless for his great comment on the paper towels in the bathrooms. Students, please continue to put new suggestions in the box to be discussed in parliament. If you have any more suggestions you can also talk with the Year 6 Captains and Ministers as well as the Year 6 leaders.

By Violet and Kalani.
CANTEEN ROSTER

It is GINGER BREAD time again. Please find the order form attached.
The new roster is up for next year, If you would like to add you name to it come in and see Tammy or email
newportschoolcanteen@Hotmail.com

Mon 9th : S Law, J Masters, E Moran, S Carter, L Tyndall
 Tues 10th : K Ryan, E Wilson, P Hitch man, K Ginsburg, K Hulley
 Wed 11th: N Johnson, M Lye
 Thurs 12th : K McMahan, B Brown, J Matthews
 Fri 13th : J Parums, M Weber, M Dian, M Lindsay

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:

SPORT NEWS

Last week Luke Morley attended the State Carnival representing Sydney North for Senior Boys Cricket.

Luke played well both batting and bowling and Sydney North ended up finishing 5th overall. This is Luke’s 4th Sydney North team which is and outstanding achievement. It takes a huge amount of sporting skill to make a single Sydney North team let alone 4. Luke has represented Sydney North in Cricket, Rugby Union, Rugby League and Softball.

The Senior Boys Softball Team will be flying to the Gold Coast on Monday 9th November to play Banora Point PS in the quarter finals of the State Knockout competition. The boys have been training hard twice a week. A big thank you to all the parents who are coming along to help with supervision.

We wish the boys the best of luck.

Mr Moran

THANK YOU

Last Thursday a small group of very brave parents helped us by cleaning the loft area of the hall. This was a mammoth task as a large amount of rubbish had accumulated over the years. A special thanks to Louise & Dave Woods, Sarah & Tim Hudson, Linda Osborne, Susan Lewis and Wendy Maclean. This task was very much appreciated and will help make us of our very limited storage areas.

Anthony Moran
CHESS NEWS

On Wednesday 25th November Newport will enter the Northern Beaches Primary Schools One-Day Chess Tournament. While there are two events on two separate days being held for this event, Newport will enter the latter one at Pittwater House Collaroy as it allows our year 6 students to participate (as they would be at camp for the previous one). This will be for many their last opportunity to compete for their school in an interschools chess event. Competitors are reminded to return their permission notes as soon as possible.

Targeted Kindergarten chess players have begun attending social chess every Thursday lunch. The young enthusiasts will learn the principles of the board, how to set up the pieces and their names moving on to playing pawn invaders. Many of our current senior competitive players have come through the ranks beginning their chess game as targeted Kindergartens. It is hoped that these younger players will form the basis of our successful competition teams.

Training for all competition players continues every Thursday morning at 8:30am in Mr Tickle’s room. Edson has been preparing our competitive players for success all year and will continue to do so until the last event.

The senior and junior girls teams competing at the Latvian Centre, Strathfield. All Girls State Chess tournament, August 2015.

Mark Tickle

MUSIC NEWS

We are sad to announce that John Stone is leaving the Newport Music Program at the end of the year. John was an integral part of setting up the Program and has been a main contributor to the Program for over 25 years. He is reducing his work load (which is fair enough after all those early mornings with Training Band and Concert Band). He is continuing to teach at Barrenjoey High. We wish him all the best and hopefully a few sleep-ins. The Music Committee is now looking at replacing our Music Director, if you know anyone who might be interested please contact Paula at pandtpaterson@gmail.com.

Our Music Information Evening is coming up on Tuesday 17th November in the School Hall starting at 7.00pm. This is a great chance to meet all our conductors and find out about the Music Program at Newport. The evening is totally obligation free, however there will be opportunity to register on the night. A flyer is attached to this Natter, please pass it on to anyone who may be interested in their child joining the Music Program.

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.

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Why I Joined the Music Program

This is an excerpt from a speech by one of our Music Captains explaining what they have gained from the Music Program:

“Every year in Newport’s absolutely amazing Music Program, hundreds of achievements are made whether it’s one of the little V2s moving into the Orchestra or Training Band or even just when a hard piece of music is coming together. Whatever the achievement, big or small, it’s something to be proud of and it’s something that helps the Music Program become what it is today, a fun but challenging program that will give everyone who is involved memories that they will cherish forever.

I once knew a girl who was very clumsy when she was young and she has been at Newport School since kindy. This chubby little child may have been small, but she had big dreams and many achievements she imagined herself making. One of her biggest dreams was to play music in the Opera House, but what kind of dream was that when she had never even touched an instrument before? So in Year 1 she started the violin. She couldn’t believe the bow was actually made of horse hair, after all she was only in Year 1.

The young girl continued into the V2s in Year 2 and after slow progression in Year 1 she began to pick up pace! The next year when she was in Year 3 she started the Cello in the Orchestra. That was one step closer to her dream and the achievements she wanted to make. As Karen, her amazing conductor helped the orchestra weave their way through the music, she began to feel more confident with her new big instrument.

Now she is in Year 6 and her biggest dream has been fulfilled. And as a matter of fact she is in this very room right now standing right in front of you. She is still striving to move more stones and hopes that one day she will move a mountain. She is me.”
UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Melbourne Cup
A quick reminder that the Uniform shop will be closed, Tuesday 3 November for Melbourne Cup Day.

Kindy Orientation – thank you
Last week was the 3rd special open for Kindy 2016 Orientation. We would not be able to hold these opens without the help of our wonderful volunteers. A massive thank you to Ana Arruzza, Simone and James Crighton, Naomi Wright, Nicola George, Kriten Harvey and Susan Lewis. These opens were a great success thanks also to the support of Kindy 2016 parents.

New Hat Policy
According to the school’s new hat policy only broad brimmed hats will be sold and allowed to be worn in 2016. We’ve stocked up on hats so please ensure that your child has an appropriate sun smart hat for 2016.

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 (carnivalfairst.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.

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.
QUEENS PDE CARPARK NEWPORT
PROPOSED CHANGES TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS

SEEKING COMMUNITY INPUT

The Queens Pde Carpark services a number of shopping customers, businesses and residents, with drivers experiencing increasing demand for car parking.

Council is considering the following changes within the Queens Pde Carpark:

- Nine car spaces to change from 2 hour to 3 hour parking
- 18 car spaces to change from unrestricted parking to either 2 hour or 3 hour parking

**Options to be considered**

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**Existing Carpark**

- No parking restrictions
- Drop off and pick up
- 2 hour parking permitted
- 9:30am - 5:00pm
- 2 disabled parking spaces

**Questionnaire**

Which of the following describes you? (Please tick those that apply)

- Resident of the area
- Customer of a local business in the area
- Business owner in the area
- Work at a local business and park in the area
- Park in the area and catch public transport
- Other (please specify)

When visiting local shops and businesses, where do you park?

- Queens Parade Carpark
- Queens Parade West
- Beach Street
- Unstoned Street
- Other (please specify)

When visiting local shops and businesses, how long do you aim to stay?

- Less than 30 minutes
- 30 minutes to 1 hour
- 1 hour to 2 hours
- 2 hours to 3 hours
- More than 3 hours

Did your car park today in the Queens Parade Carpark?

- Yes, within these hours
- Yes, but more than these hours
- No, I parked elsewhere

Do you park availability impact your decision to visit local shops and businesses in the area?

- Always
- Some of the time
- No

Do you use the Queens Parade Carpark to leave your car and catch the bus?

- Yes
- No

Do you support the proposal to change the existing nine car spaces from 2 hour parking to 1 hour parking immediately adjacent to the local shops?

- Yes
- No

Do you have a preference in support of either a change to 3 hour parking or 3 hour parking for the existing unrestricted 18 car spaces as shown on the plan?

- Prefer 3 hour parking
- Prefer 2 hour parking
- Leave as unrestricted

Do you have any other comments?

Please provide your comments to: psspt.quietzone@pittwater.nsw.gov.au or post to: Pittwater Council, Place Management, PO Box 882 Mona Vale NSW 1660

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Christmas Pudding & Gingerbread House Fundraiser

18th, 19th & 20th of December 2023


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Do you want to add Christmas pudding? (add $3.00)

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AVALON BILGOLA SWIM CLUB

You are invited to join our swim club

All races are hand-capped, so everyone is equal regardless of whether you are a trained or strong swimmer

Age range from 2 years to 80 years, there are no barriers

We meet every Saturday morning at Bilgola Ocean Pool

Races start at 9am and everything is over by 11am

Registration costs $30 for the whole season

All members are able to partake in free learn to swim lessons and later improvers squad held over 9 weeks starting at 6pm on 14 November with special school carnival preparation sessions in January.

Inquiries

avanbilgolawimming@gmail.com

or

0419 410 103
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 Yr 2 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