RELIEVING PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

We have just been informed that the Zone Cross Country Carnival scheduled for tomorrow Thursday 7 May has been CANCELLED as the grounds have been closed. The Zone Cross Country will be scheduled at a later date.

Our parents of students starting Kindergarten in 2016, had the rare opportunity of an “audience with the Kinder Team,” on Monday night, as part of our information session. Many thanks to Julie Parker who led the session, Adam Hearne for presenting, Jo Moore for the publicity and organisation and to our current kinder team, Marianne, Sarah, Ellie, Emily, Anita and Jamie, who provided parents with answers to the first of many questions that will come up as they become part of our Newport Community. I must also thank Shaun Michael who worked with Julie on creating the movies and the engaging presentation that gave parents a feeling for life in Kindergarten at Newport.

Being “other person centred” is a character we often talk about at Newport and this week, this will be highlighted by the gold coin donation for the Waves for Water charity and the Nepal Appeal. It was further highlighted at the more local level, in this story from a Kindergarten classroom this week; Alannah and Lily were caring for the feelings of their classmates by organising places for others in the learning circle and when asked why by their teacher, they answered, “Because that’s how we care at our school!”

National Assessment Program – Years 3 and 5

Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th May

Next week students in Years 3 and 5 will take the 2014 NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children. All students are expected to participate in the tests. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued later this year. It is important that students attend all three days and arrive promptly at school. Assessments will start first thing each morning. Two tests are held on Tuesday and one each on Wednesday and Thursday.

Please not there will be no Scripture this week due to NAPLAN.

If your child is seeking Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 you must submit the application online between Monday 27 April 2015 and 15 May 2015. The application website is at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Lost property is an ongoing issue for our school and attempting to return lost property is made all the more difficult when items have not been named and...
updated with current class details and/or the details of a previous owner have not been removed or changed. Please assist the process of returning lost property by ensuring that all students’ belongings are named with the current owner’s details.

**What’s On**

**Student Parliament Mufti Day for Waves for Water and Nepal**

*When:* Thursday 7 May  
*Who:* K-6 students  
*Wear:* Appropriate surf/snow gear (perhaps a beanie, depending on the weather)  
*To note:* Please bring a gold coin donation (separate from money for the Mother’s Day stall)

**Mother’s Day Stall**

*When:* Thursday starting at 10am  
*Where:* Under the hall shelter  
*Who:* Students in Years K-6 who have brought $5 to buy a gift.

**School Tour for parents of children starting Kindergarten in 2016**

*When:* Thursday 21 May  
*Where:* Meet outside the school office 10.00am  
*Who:* Kindergarten 2016 Parents

Regards,  

Natalie Baldi  
Relieving Principal

Today 12 Newport boys and girls will compete in the Sydney Academy of Chess One Day Tournament being held and hosted by Bilgola Plateau Public School. The children will compete as a school team with the overall winning school being determined by a combination of the highest place getters results.

Last Friday, Newport A Championship and Newport B Juniors competed in the first round of the NSW Junior Chess League’s Ten Week Tournament. Both teams competed at Oxford Falls Grammar School. Newport A had a 2 all draw while Newport B had a 4 to 0 win. This Friday Newport A has a bye and Newport B will head to Seaforth.

Mark Tickle
This Tuesday our skiers and snowboarders will begin dry land training. Racers are to bring scooters or skateboards to be dropped in the Music Room in the morning plus a helmet (bike helmets are fine). Students will learn the rules of racing, race technique, course types, alpine awareness and engage in fitness activities. Training begins at 3:30pm and concludes at 4:30pm.

The Snow Sports Committee

Only 8 sleeps until Music Camp. Hopefully everyone has handed in their completed forms and payment. We would like to remind parents that the camp is an integral part of Newport’s Music Program and takes place only one weekend a year. It is important that all music students attend for the entire weekend. We ask that Music Camp takes priority over sporting commitments for this one weekend. If you are having difficulty paying please contact Sherri at sherri@pittwaterresearch.com.au. Completed forms and payment should be placed in the band box located in the foyer of the office. No cash.

The Music Camp Concert is the last activity of the camp. It will take place on Sunday 17th May between 2.30 and 3.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Dates for Diary

15th – 17th May  Music Camp
17th May  Music Camp Concert
3rd June  Music Committee Meeting

Mon 11th May:  S Law, J Masters, E Moran, S Carter,
L Tyndall
Tues 12th May:  K Ryan, E Wilson, P Hitchman, K Ginsburg,
K Hulley
Wed 13th May:  C Curtin, N Johnson, M Lye
Thurs 14th May: K McMaham, B Brown, K Matthews
Fri 15th May:  J Parums, M Weber, M Dian, M Lindsay
Uniform Shop

Please ensure that your children wear their winter uniforms during terms 2 and 3. We’ve had a two-week change over time but all students should now be in their winter uniforms from Week 3 onwards.

Second Hand Uniforms

If you are leaving Newport Public School or have uniforms at home that no longer fit your child, please consider donating unwanted uniforms to the uniform shop. All profits go to the P&C.

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.

2015 Newport Public School P&C Association Fundraising

Thursday 7th May

Mother’s Day Stall and RAFFLE

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Our stall will be held at school on Thursday May 7th.

NO gift donations will be required this year.

Each gift will again cost $5, with a gift tag and bag included in that cost. For every $5 a child spends they will receive a raffle ticket to go in the draw to win a Mother’s Day Gift Hamper made up of gorgeous locally handmade artisan works. Details of the pack will be displayed in flyers around the school from next week and in next week’s Newsletter. On stall day please send the money to school in an envelope labelled with your child’s name and class. If possible please send the exact amount of money with your child, it would be a big help to the parents helping on the stall.

Children will visit the stall with their class and will have an amazing selection to choose from.

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If you have any questions regarding the Mother’s Day Stall Fundraiser or to offer a helping hand on stall day please email Sarah Hughes (hughes@gmail.com) or Sherri Low (lesson725@hotmail.com)

Thank you for your continued support!

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NAME: ________________________ DOB: DD/MM/YYYY

1. ____________________________
2. ____________________________
3. ____________________________
4. ____________________________

I, ____________________________ (parent/guardian) give consent for the above named to participate in GKR Karate classes.

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State: _______________________
Postcode: _______________________
Daytime Phone: _______________________
Email: _______________________
Signed: _______________________
Date: _______ 

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Credit Card Number: _______________________
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