Dear Parents,

On a number of occasions over past weeks, I have had people “feed back” to me, on the behaviour and conduct of our students; from the organisers of sporting events and incursions, to the Broken Bay Sport and Recreation staff. In all instances, comments were made on the students’ manners and their willingness to get involved, at times during difficult conditions. Making a contribution and taking pride in yourself and your school are important characteristics to foster and it is a pleasure to hear and share such positive news about our students.

The students in Year 4 will have much to add to their memory bank after camp last week. I am sure you have heard some of the stories already; the flying fox, the leeches, archery, the damper, chatting late into the night in cabins and of course games night including the game “Teacher’s Revenge.” Many thanks to Nicola Elliott for organising camp (and thinking of everything) and to the Year 4 team, Mr White, Miss Gorjup and Mrs Cohen, for their thorough organisation for the excursion, their participation over the two days and for rearranging their schedules to accompany the students to Broken Bay. It certainly was a wonderful experience for us all, which was made more enjoyable by the students willingness to work together, try new things (despite the nerves) and apply their lovely manners and caring attitude.

I was greeted by many excited boys late on Wednesday afternoon, carrying the very heavy Bryan Palmer Shield proudly above their heads. The boys were of course, returning from the State Rugby Finals. They had played two tough games, the first against Orange Public School to come away with a 10-0 win and the second against James Erskine PS winning 36 to 14. They certainly showed determination, skill and sportsmanship on the field and our congratulations must go to the star team which includes those players who helped Newport to win the first 4 games of the competition. A big congratulations must also go to Mr Hearne and Ms Blaejewski for leading the team and to Mr Aroney and Mr Walsh (it wouldn’t be a Newport rugby game without them) for assisting with coaching the team to such success and
a wonderful experience for all involved. Many thanks also, to our ever supportive parents-your involvement is so much appreciated.

A huge congratulations also, to our amazing Snowsports Team for their participation and success at the State Interschools Snowsports Titles held at Perisher last week. It was reported that blizzard conditions didn’t stop the Newport spirit with the team producing some amazing skiing and representing the school proudly. Our congratulations must go to all the students for outstanding personal bests in addition to an excellent team effort. The Division 5 Junior girls came 1st in the State in both the cross country freestyle and the cross country relay. Allen Kirby won Division 5 Snowboard and came second in Snowboard GS. The Division 5 Snowboard Girls came 3rd in both the snowboard GS and the Snowboard BX, with Ella Pettitt achieving 2nd in Division 5 Girls Snowboard. We now have 7 children representing Newport in the Nationals. Many thanks to Mark Tickle for leading, organising and accompanying the group with the support of Anita Rosser from behind the scenes. Thank you also, to our dedicated parents who continue to support the program and particularly to those parents who marshalled during the events. The Nationals will be held at Mt Buller and we wish all the students the best of luck – happy skiing and boarding!

Next week we are proud to be presenting our Showcase Concert at Pittwater High School on Wednesday 9 September. As you know, “months” of time and huge amounts of effort goes into each and every dance, drama and musical (choirs and band) item, with the pinnacle of this felt on performance night when those on stage get to experience the enthusiasm from the audience. We look forward to sharing this with you next Wednesday and know you will make it a memorable night.

Our working bee is also coming up in just 2 weeks, on Saturday 12 September. On the list for the short but intensive session between the hours of 8.00am-1.00pm is a fair amount of gardening including weeding and mulching, cutting back plants and trees in some areas and some rubbish removal. Your support, even if just for an hour or two, would be very much appreciated. We will be providing morning tea thanks to our canteen and Mr Moran will be firing up the BBQ for lunch.

Finally, as our fabulous fete news reported last week, the much awaited event is only 8 weeks away. A few things to start thinking about include planning to get outdoors and take some photos to enter in the photography competition and getting some tried and true recipes together for the much loved cake stall. Thanks to Sarah Hudson for the updated news which is so “eye catchingly” presented and we are enjoying seeing the excitement build as the weeks count down.

Coming up this week we have our P&C meeting on Tuesday at 7pm and our Father’s Day stall and disco on Thursday.
**IJJ News**

Children and adults living with cerebral palsy take on physical challenges every single day. Cerebral palsy is a condition that affects movement. IJJ want to raise awareness for people living with cerebral palsy. IJJ aim to walk, run, dance, skip and play our way to move more. We have calculated that on a normal school day IJJ take an average of 5900 steps. We aim to increase this to more than 6000 steps each day. During week 8 we will use a pedometer to measure our progress. We need your help. To support our cause you can sponsor us or simply make a donation. Donations should be sent to the school office in an envelope clearly marked “IJJ – September donation”. The money we raise will be sent to the Cerebral Palsy Alliance to contribute to their ‘Steptember’ campaign.

Many thanks,
Jill Matthews, Jenny Scott and IJJ.

**Bryan Palmer Shield**

Congratulations to our senior rugby union team for winning the Bryan Palmer shield last Wednesday. Playing at T.G Milner Oval at Marsfield, the team won their semi-final against Orange P.S, 10 to 0 and then the grand-final against James Erskine P.S, 36 to 14. It was extremely pleasing to be involved with a team who improved so dramatically throughout the season. Because of injuries and other commitments, the team that won in the finals was extremely different to the one that started the season. A special thank you goes to those players, Archie Sergi, Riley Wilson and Max Schweinsberg, who stepped into the team at late notice and helped us to victory. The rest of the players in the team on Wednesday were: Henry Thomas, Dylan Johnson, Banjo Leslie, Luke Morey, Lachlan Cruickshank, Kai Atkinson, Beau Deathridge, Edward Press, Thomas Bensley, Matthew Francis, Lucas Toy and Brogan M’Crystal. The players who started the season but were unable to play in the finals were Jonah Watkin, Lachlan Hanks, Noah Bloom and Callum Pratt. Everyone in the team worked extremely hard at training each week, supported their team mates throughout every game and always showed respect for their opposition and referees. The play in the grand final was exceptionally physical and Newport showed great rugby skills and tenacity against a very large, strong team. Special mention goes to Lucas Toy, who earned the referee’s player of the match award in the grand-final. I would like to thank Peter Aroney, John Walsh and Jamie Blaziejewski for coaching this team each week and attending the games. The team’s success is directly related to their commitment and rugby expertise. I would also like to thank all the parents who have supported the team throughout the year, many of who were able to be present, supporting our team in the final rounds of the competition. Next year we have three boys from this team who will be able to play with us again and some great up and coming talent from the junior years. This title is the eleventh Bryan Palmer shield won by Newport. With a little bit of luck we may be able to win our twelfth title in 2016.

Adam Hearne
Sport News Cont’d

In Term 4 we are hoping to offer a racquet sports component as part of the students’ weekly PE program. At the moment we don’t have any tennis or badminton racquets. We are hoping that if you have any old racquets left lying around that are no longer loved or used, you might be happy to donate them to the school. To purchase a class set of racquets would cost well over $2000.

Please if you do have any old tennis or badminton racquets of any size, drop them in to school to Mr Greg Moran and they will be put to good use.

Last Tuesday was the Pittwater Zone Athletics Carnival. 53 Newport students competed in different track and field events and represented Newport with pride. It is a great achievement to make a zone athletics carnival where the 9 schools from the Pittwater region compete consisting of Newport, Avalon, Mona Vale, Bilgola Plateau, Collaroy Plateau, Elanora Heights, Narrabeen Lakes, Wheeler Heights and Narrabeen North. Many students won their heats and made it through to the finals.

Students who finished 1st or 2nd in the finals of any event or 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the 100m final will progress to the next level and compete against the best from the region at the Sydney North Carnival on Monday 7th September at Homebush.

All of the students should be congratulated on making the zone carnival. Some individual performances that need to be recognised are:

- Jada Brown: 2nd - 8 yrs girls 100m
- Dylan Fawle: 2nd - 10yrs boys 100m
- Edie Burke: 1st - 11yrs girls 100m
- Olivia Alvarez: 1st - 12yrs girls 100m
- Esme Sergi: 3rd - 11yrs girls 200m
- Olivia Alvarex: 1st - 12yrs girls 200m
- Tom Tullett: 1st - Junior boys 800m
- Hamish Douglas: 2nd - Junior boys 800m
- Anaia Cruickshank: 1st - Junior girls shotput
- Leah Harder: 2nd - 11yrs girls shotput
- Chloe Shepherd: 3rd - 12yrs girls shotput
- Lucy Brown: 3rd - Junior girls long jump
- Edie Burke: 3rd - 11yrs girls long jump
- Brogan M’Crystal: 3rd - 11yrs boys long jump
- Olivia Alvarez: 3rd - Senior girls long jump
- Anaia Cruickshank: 3rd - Junior girls high jump
- Nina Lindley: 3rd - Senior girls high jump
- Senior Girls Relay: 1st (Olivia Alvarez, Edie Burke, Esme Sergi, Lucinda Bensley)

Well done Newport on a successful carnival.

Greg Moran
The Book Week Disco is on this Thursday and the Music Committee is running the BBQ. This is an important fundraiser for the Music Program. You should have received an email from your Band Manager asking for helpers. Please put your name down as soon as possible.

Band photos that were taken on photo day are now available to be ordered. The photos are displayed on our noticeboard. Order forms are available from the school office.

Remember to purchase tickets for the NSWWE Spring Festival in Chatswood. Performance Band will be playing in the 1pm concert on Sunday 13th September. Stage Band will be playing at 4pm in the Concourse Forecourt which is a free event.

All ensembles are playing at the Newport School Showcase on Wednesday 9th September, further information will be sent out by email.

**Dates for Diary**

- Thurs 3rd Sept: BBQ Fundraiser at school disco
- Wed 9th Sept: Newport School Showcase, 7pm at Pittwater High School.
- Sun 13th Sept: Performance Band and Stage Band playing at NSWWE Spring Festival
- Thurs 15th Oct: Music Committee Meeting
- Sat 17th Oct: School Fete
- Tues 1st Dec: Twilight Concert

**Young Composers Award 4NE**

**Why should we keep Wet Wipes out of the Pipes**

Why shouldn’t we flush wipes down the drain? Well, once people have flushed the wipes down the drain, they clog up the pipes and it is a huge problem. $8 million is being spent to fix this problem. The quantity of wipes being flushed is too large for the pipes to cope with. We need to put a stop to it! $1000 fines will have to be paid by people who flush the wipes in order to get plumbers to fix them.

*By Sienna Sinfield*
Annual Fathers' Day Stall 3rd September!

After the fabulous success we had with our Mother’s Day stall held earlier in the year, our students will again have an opportunity to purchase some great gifts for dad this father’s day!

Our stall will be held at school on Thursday 3rd September. NO gift donations will be required this year.

Each gift will again cost $5, with a gift tag and bag included in that cost. 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.

If you have any questions regarding the Father’s Day Stall Fundraiser or to offer a helping hand on stall day please email Sarah Hudson (erhudson@tpg.com.au) or Shani Law (shanilaw@hotmail.com)

Thank you for your continued support!
Skater HQ is coming to NOOSHC !!!!!!

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

4.00pm – 5.00pm (approx)

Term 3 activity for ‘P’ group – children in Year 3 to Year 6.

Skater HQ will be coming with a van filled with skateboards, inline skates and scooters along with protective gear and helmets and some apparatus that the children can use such as jump ramps and boxes. Skater HQ provides a coach who is highly experienced and teaches skills, and the children, both boys and girls love it!

If your child is in Years 3 to 6 and attends NOOSHC on a Thursday and/or Friday afternoon they will have the opportunity to participate in this free activity (NOOSHC will be including this as part of their program for ‘P’ group). A Waiver / Consent form will need to be signed prior to your child taking part. Skater HQ also reserves the right to remove a person from the event if, in the opinion of Skater HQ or its representatives, the person is acting in a negligent and/or dangerous manner.

The activity will run from 4.00pm to 5.00pm (approx) – for all children to benefit from this activity the children (and staff) have requested that you do not arrive before 5.15pm so that you do not disrupt the Skater HQ activity (and coach). If you anticipate that you will be arriving prior to 5.15pm – please advise and we will keep your child involved in other activities.

As there are only 30 places available each afternoon for children to participate in this fantastic activity – we would appreciate you notifying us, with as much notice as possible, if your child is going to be absent so that the activity can be offered to another child who may like to attend.

**CASUAL PLACES:** There are limited places available – Skater HQ caters for 30 children. If your Year 3 – Year 6 child does not attend NOOSHC on a Thursday or Friday afternoon and they would like to participate in Skater HQ then please ring NOOSHC to check if a casual place is available and once a waiver/consent form has been completed they may attend NOOSHC for the afternoon and join in the Skater HQ activity. First in, first served!!!!

Your child needs to be enrolled at NOOSHC to participate in this activity. Casual enrolments are available.

Enrolment enquiries welcome – drop in for an enrolment package.

NOOSHC Phone: 9979 9874 Centre Manager: Jo Newton
Newport Year 6

CAKE STALL

WEDNESDAY
16TH SEPTEMBER

Tasty Cakes ♥ Multi-Coloured Jellies ♥ In Demand Toffees
Assortment of Slices ♥ Gluten Free Options

Reminder to Year 6 Students/Parents:
Please drop cakes off to school hall, NOT canteen.
Please use disposable trays or mark names clearly.
Helpers are welcomed from 10am.