Farewell Jo

Jo Wight has been a member of the committed team at Newtown Primary School since 2000. During that time Jo has worked with a large number of teachers, students and families.

At her farewell this week, Jo spoke highly of the strong relationships she has built with everyone connected to the school and how much she has enjoyed her time with us.

Jo will begin working with Karingal next term. This will open up a new chapter for Jo as she applies her many skills to working with adults.

We wish Jo well in this new role and hope that she will continue to stay in touch with us.

Term 1 was rich in Learning Opportunities!

Term I had been an excellent start to 2014. Our school is calm and orderly with a respectful focus on learning.

I would like to thank our amazing staff for their efforts in creating a culture of learning in our school. As well as classroom based learning we also provided many extra curricula learning opportunities including ..

- Start Right Program
- Clean Up Australia Day
- Senior Camp Middle Camp
- Scienceworks excursion (Junior)
- Whole School Cross Country
- Responsible pet Ownership
- Hockey Clinics
- Ride2 School Day
- Skateboarding Excursion
Student of the Week

Prep McKenzie: Tom W
For great writing to the VIP.

Prep Podhorsky: Eva R
For learning lots of letter names and sounds, which she uses to help her read & write. GREAT WORK.

Junior Smith: Holly F
For always encouraging and supporting her classmates.

Junior Wrigley: Aston T
For his improved attitude to his work.

Middle Ashkanasy: Imogen C
For showing improved self control.

Middle Baird: Tiffany M
For applying herself to her Maths and coaching others to help with their understanding. Well done Tiff.

Middle McKinnis: Logan W
For showing great support to his classmates in sport.

Senior Burn: Isaac B
For staying on top of all his writing tasks this term.

Senior McClelland: Nick P
For his willingness to help out wherever and whenever he can with a positive attitude.

Senior Peel: Tom C
For thanking the umpire after his softball game at Lightning Premiership—great sportsmanship.

Sports Award: Brendon L
For being the most valuable player on the boys cricket team at Lightning Premiership.

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Excursions/Incursions—Term 2, 2014
A forecast of excursion/ incursion costs for Term 2 are:
Gymnastic Program—approx. $24 per student
Polynesian Dancer— $5 per student
District Cross Country (selected students) $3
Wastewise Education Centre (Preps)—$6
Non-payment of costs means that the school must meet the shortfall. This reduces the monies available for resources for all students. Prompt payment is expected.

K-ROCK - 8:30AM FRIDAY
ELLIE K
ASSEMBLY TOMORROW @ 2PM
ASSEMBLY LEADERS: ASTRI AND SAMUEL
**Easter Hamper Raffle**
Do you have any Easter theme items for our annual Easter Raffle? Please drop them in to the office and they will be used to make up hampers to the raffles at our final Term 1 assembly tomorrow. Major Prize—$100 seafood voucher supplied by Bay City Fisheries.

**Overdue Books**
Please return all outstanding library books by the end of the term. Lists of overdue books are in the children’s diaries.
Many thanks, Mrs Weller

**Kaisercraft School Holiday Craft classes**:
$20 per child, bookings essential. Phone 52223965.

**FACEBOOK**
Did you know that our school has a facebook account. Where we share news, updates and links. [https://www.facebook.com/NewtownPrimarySchool](https://www.facebook.com/NewtownPrimarySchool)

**Summer Lightning Premiership**
On Wednesday, March 26, students from the SLA hopped on the bus to South Barwon Reserve to play softball and cricket. The boys played 4 games of cricket. We won 2 and lost 2. Our strength was our ‘super team’ of Levi, Harry F, Brendon, Cashel, Fin, Riley, Jackson and Lachie. The girls team also played 4 games. The girls softball team came 3rd overall.
We would like to congratulate all students on their respectful sportsmanship.

**ANZAC DAY BADGES & WRISTBANDS @ THE OFFICE....**

**LaTrobe Tce Church of Christ—Invitation!**
BBQ lunch for single fathers and their children Sunday, April 26 12noon-2pm Rippleside Park (look for the green balloons).

**End of Term 1**
This Friday will be the end of Term 1. The term will finish with assembly at 2pm. Students will then be dismissed at 2:30. Assembly this week will feature the drawing of our Easter Raffle, the Junior Singing Group and the Kelly Sports Dancers.

**LEADERSHIP DAY**
On Tuesday the 1st of April, all year 6 students participated in a Leadership Day that was run by Mr Mac and Mrs Burn. The day was focussed on learning about what makes a good leader and how a leader doesn’t have to be someone in a high rank or position. The day was made up of activities including musical islands—a game that makes students work together to fit in small areas. They also had the pleasure to listen to Sarah Vesey (Ailish and Darcey’s mum) who is a Captain in the Australian Army. She explained to us the meaning of a true leader and told us of her experiences in the Army, while reminding us that everyone’s human and we make mistakes but we have to learn from them and keep moving forward. Students also made hero badges showing that everyone is a hero and highlighted their strengths and areas to improve on. We also set ourselves goals and change projects for the year that relate to our Year 6 Leadership Position. To finish the day, students wrote down what problems they need to overcome and were as creative as we could in getting over these as hurdles. This day was great and made all year 6’s more comfortable in their roles and showed them that they could do anything.
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NEWTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL
presents
ROARING TWENTIES
AUCTION & TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 31st May @ 6:00pm
Newtown Primary’s Multipurpose Hall

Step back in time with Quiz Master Simon Morrison & Ray White Auctioneer Adam Natonewski, for a 1920’s themed night of trivia, major & secret auctions & a late night swing around the dance floor.

TICKETS - $20 (Earlybird) or $25 after May 10th. At the office
DRESS – Great Gatsby / Speakeasy Style
DRINKS – Available at Bar prices.
NO BYO Booze – Bootleg brew will be confiscated.
FOOD – BYO Nibbles
PRIZES – For the best dressed Guys & Dolls

For more info & photos of the auction items like us on Facebook @ newtown primary trivia night

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