Preps Join our School Assembly
On Friday our new Preps were officially welcomed to our school community when they attended their first assembly for the year. Parents, teachers and students joined together to applaud the students as they entered the building.

Jayco Herald Sun Bike Tour
Our School Captains and Junior School Committee attended the start of the second leg of the Jayco Herald Sun Bike Tour last week. Whilst there, they met cycling legend Phil Liggett and Jack Bauer, cyclist from New Zealand. They also learned about the ‘a metre matters’ campaign challenging motorists to leave metre between themselves and cyclists on the road.
Student’s article
On Thursday we went to Cunningham Pier to watch the start of the Jayco Herald Sun Bike Tour. We had our photograph taken with some famous cyclists.

While we were there we learned about the Amy Gillett Foundation. Amy was an Australian cyclist who was in Germany training for the Commonwealth Games. She was involved in a tragic accident. After the accident her husband set up the foundation to educate drivers to leave at least 1 metre between cars and bicycles. ‘A metre matters!’

At the pier we were given cow bells to ring as cyclists ride by. This is a tradition from the Tour De France.

Paige and Hayden

Information Evening
The Information Evening was a great opportunity to celebrate a positive start to the school year and share some information that will ensure the year continues in this manner. I would like to thank all families who were able to come along to these sessions. We believe that every individual will learn and thrive with the support of a committed team.


Student of the Week
Prep McKenzie: Dwipayana P
Helping other children in the yard and in the classroom.

Prep Podhorsky: Kiara S
For always listening to instructions and working to the best of her ability. Awesome work Kiara.

Junior Smith: Glenn T
For being a helpful and considerate classmate.

Junior Wrigley: Conner S
For starting his work straight away.

Middle Baird: Audrey A
For her fantastic attitude towards her learning.

Senior Burn: Nick P
For showing respect for the environment by sorting & setting up our class library.

Senior McClelland: Lily D
For amazing initiative in finishing unfinished work at home. You legend Lil!

Canteen Orders:
Please try to have lunch orders filled out and ready to put in the baskets before you get to school. New menus / pricelist went home Monday. Please remember to put your name & teachers name along with order on the front.

K-ROCK Weather — Ellie K
ASSEMBLY EVERY FRIDAY AT 3:10PM
ASSEMBLY LEADERS: PAIGE R AND ARYA D
ANTHEM: MIA D
**Assistance Required**

Our school requires assistance to provide many of our services and facilities. Are you able to help in these areas?

- Canteen orders need to be processed each Tuesday and Friday morning. This would take about 20 minutes immediately after the 9am bell.
- Environment Committee meets each month before School Council (6pm, Tuesday Feb 18 in the staffroom). This group is the powerful machine behind the development of our school environment.
- Fundraising is so important for our school to continue to maintain and improve. Please let Amanda Hay know if you are keen to help out on fundraising projects.

**Grade 6 Leadership Positions**

School Captains: Georgia C and Kai C  
Deputy School Captains—Koray S and Tansie B  
Junior School Committee—Kim, Astri, Hayden, Paige, Ellie, Jessica, Emma  
Sport Captains—Arya D, Nick P, James O’C  
Arts Co-ordinators—Nash G  
Sustainability Co-ordinator—Samuel B  
Library Co-ordinators—Lily D, Mason Y  
Office Monitors—Nicholas P  
Assembly Monitor—Granger W

We would like to congratulate all Year 6 students on their commitment to our school.

**School Council Elections**

School Council is the body that oversees the governance of our school. In particular this group is responsible for the financial health of our school, policy development, management of school grounds and buildings and the appointment of the Principal. School Council meets in the staffroom at 7pm on the third Tuesday of each month. Would you be interested in being on School Council?

**Icy Poles for Sale**

The Junior School Committee will have icy poles for sale on Friday. Bring along $1 for a refreshing icy pole.

**SUSTAINABILITY NEWS**

What’s coming up?

**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY FOR SCHOOLS** FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28TH

At Newtown Primary we care about the environment! Newtown Primary will be one of the 3000 schools that participate in this event this year. In past years, we have focused our efforts within the school grounds. This year we are planning to walk to Sparrow Park to help clean up litter. By supporting this event, our students will be able learn about caring for the environment, recycling and demonstrate responsible behaviours.

We can all help to reduce rubbish to landfill and litter at school by reducing the amount of: rubbish, plastic wrap, plastic snap lock bags, chip packets and bar wrappers that come to school.

We encourage you to send “Nude Food” to school; that is, food which has no rubbish attached.

Plastic wrap and plastic packaging can be recycled at Coles and Woolworths supermarkets. The plastic is recycled into furniture as can be seen in our main hallway.
FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY FOR
NEWTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

This represents a great opportunity for all teachers, parents, family and friends of Newtown Primary School to get a free Home Loan review and raise some much needed funding for the school.

NAB has had the lowest standard variable rate of the four big banks over the last 4 years.

So, in addition to potentially saving you money - The NAB will donate .4% of the loan amount on your behalf to Newtown Primary School.

For example - a $300,000 Loan referred to the NAB will result in $1,200 being given to Newtown Primary School.

This offer is available to new and existing NAB customers.

This contribution is made on your behalf for all new purchases, refinances and limit increases for existing NAB customers greater than $50,000.

Benefits for you:

- NAB will cover any switching costs on refinances up to $750
- Extra discount on your interest rate due to our community affiliation
- Package fee waived for the first year and no application fees
- Full suite of products to suit your individual needs
- Supporting your local primary school

All that you need to do is mention Newtown Primary School over the phone or in the branch.

You have nothing to lose but plenty to gain, so please feel free to contact us today for a free home loan review.

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