Ride 2 School Day
It was indeed a grand day last Friday, when all of our students challenged themselves to be more active in getting themselves to school.
Many forms of transport were represented—bikes, skateboards, scooters, prams, strollers and shoes!
Our Junior School Committee greeted travellers with stickers and collected data from each class.
Congratulations to Middle Ashkanasy who had the highest percentage of students travelling to school in an active way—95%!
Overall we are pleased to report that 74% of students embraced the opportunity to come to school in an active way.

Well done Newtown PS!
April 11—Student Free Day
OSHC is currently taking expressions of interest to run a session on the upcoming scheduled Curriculum Day: Monday 11th April 2016. To run a session we require a minimum of 10 children. The cost per child is $50 (if you are entitled to CCB/CCR this will be a reduced rate) for the day and the session runs from 7.30am-6pm. If you are interested in booking a session for your child/ren, please email

Student of the Week

Prep Smith— Felix M
For his excellent behavior all week and being such an enthusiastic learner.

Prep Podhorsky— Ryder B
For a fantastic improvement in his letter formation. Great work.

Junior O’Meara— Liam P
For his brilliant work in maths and great attitude to all aspects of school.

Junior Haberfield/Weller— Ava V
For always volunteering to help make our classroom a lovely place to learn.

Junior Wrigley— Miranda M
For her great approach to all her work.

Middle Ashkanasy— Jayden J
For asking to help when he needs it—this is respect for learning.

Middle Bedson— Holly F
For showing respect and care for the school learning environments.

Middle McKinnis— Joycelyn T
For always being willing to help out and put in extra effort in class.

Senior Baird— Kai J
For his amazing information report on Green Sea turtles. Excellent research skills Kai!

Senior McClelland— Mieka O
For her positivity and enthusiasm that she spreads around the SLA each day. You ripper Mieka!

Senior Peel— Xavier G
For his amazing homework about his role model—his dad Damien. Great job having this task completed ahead of schedule Xavier!

EASTER RAFFLE
We are now seeking Easter themed donations for our annual Raffle. Please leave at the office. Remember to get your raffle books in asap!
Newtown Primary School Athletic Sports 2016

Last Monday our whole school gathered at Landy Field for our second ever Whole School Athletic Sports.
All teams entered into the spirit of the day, challenging themselves to achieve their personal best in track and field events.
Miss Jaci had did a superb job of organising the program.
The day ran smoothly largely due to the commitment of our staff and the small army of parent helpers.
Many families were also able to pop down during the day to encourage all of our athletes.
All scores have now been entered into the data base and are currently being ‘crunched’.
We hope to announce the scores at assembly on Friday.
Will it be Shannon, Aberdeen, Skene or George.? Find out on Friday afternoon after 3pm.
Special thanks go out to our parents who volunteered their time to make the day such a success and also to Miss Jaci.
Hip Hip Hooray
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Working Bee—Saturday, March 19, 9am—12 noon
Please mark this date in your diary. Tasks for the day include:
⇒ Installing remaining 3 tree guards
⇒ Dismantling the ‘cubby’ in the vegie patch
⇒ Building new garden beds
⇒ Painting front fence posts
⇒ Painting Mr Haberfield’s office
⇒ Oiling the deck in Dave’s Courtyard
If you are unable to attend on that date, but feel you could tackle one of these tasks at another time, please

CSEF APPLICTIONS (camps, sports, excursions fund) Applications closing soon. You must apply at the start of each year if eligible. If you have a concession card eg Health care card, please bring it to the office and ask for a form to fill in.

BPAY: Please remember this is not to be used for special lunches, uniform, any form of fundraising. It is only for excursions/incursions/sports/camp/swimming. Please check note, some events won’t have Bpay available.
**School Cross Country Reminders - 2016**

**Before the day:**
Please ensure all permission forms, payments and medical information are at school well in advance of the day.
Pack a drink bottle of water only.
Students are to wear sports uniform including ‘house tops’ (these are still available from the school).
Have a good night’s sleep on the night before the ‘fun run’

**Buses:**

| Depart NPS - 9:10 | BUS ONE – Senior Peel + Middle Bedson
| BUS TWO – Senior McClelland + Middle Ashkanasy
| BUS THREE – Senior Baird + Middle McKinnis |
| Depart NPS - 10:30 | BUS FOUR – P/1 Podhorsky, P/1 Smith + Junior Wrigley
| BUS FIVE – Junior Haberfield/Weller + Junior O’Meara |

| Depart Barwon Valley Fun Park 12:30pm |
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**Running Timetable:**

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*Please be advised that the timetable is subject to change on the day.*

*During the Prep and Year 1 Fun Run/Circuit Stations Year 6 Leaders will assist Miss Jaci with the running of this activity.*

*The timetable above is a guide and race times may end up being pushed forward or back slightly if unforeseen issues arise. To ensure you don’t miss your child’s race we recommend arriving at least half an hour ahead of time.*

*Parents/families are respectfully requested to remain clear of the finish line and away from marshalling areas where placings are recorded.*

**Congestion in this area can hamper the smooth processing of finish times.**