TERM 1, ISSUE 8—THURSDAY MARCH 19, 2015

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2015 Bellarine and Geelong North Swimming Championships

10 students from Newtown attended to Bellarine and North Geelong Swimming Championships at Kardinia Pool on Friday, March 6. Ailish came first in her freestyle heat. Isaac was first in his backstroke heat and overall 3rd in the District for Backstroke. Well done Isaac. Cashel came second in his freestyle heat and overall 3rd in the District backstroke. William came 3rd in his backstroke heat and 1st in his breaststroke heat. Eliza was 3rd in her breaststroke heat. Everyone in the team achieved a personal best’. Congratulations to the team. Everyone else should think about entering this competition next year. We’d love you to come along. Sarah and Ailish.

Ride to School Day

Last Friday 75% of our school population travelled in an ‘active’ way. Well done to those who walked, scooted or rode to school.

Our ‘swale’ – Be Safe, Be Aware

A ‘swale’ follows the south side of our MPR to reduce flood risk. Pedestrians are informed that they cross this swale at their own risk. Please make safe choices and cross our school yard along flat, safe surfaces.

Parking in the School Grounds

Parents and carers are advised that the parking spaces on school grounds are for staff and authorised personnel only. Parents and carers are to park outside of the school yard and enter the yard through the pedestrian gates. The double gates closest to Safeway are to be used for SITA bin collection only. Access by other vehicles creates a traffic hazard on Aberdeen St.

In the interest of safety and wellbeing, we ask that all community members comply with these expectations.
**Harmony Day**
On Friday, March 13 the whole school participated in the 2015 Harmony Day celebration. Everyone came to school wearing a ‘pop of orange’. It was a great way to celebrate how our cultural diversity makes our school so much richer. All of the classes made a chain. At assembly the chains were joined together by the Junior School Committee. This chain symbolises that, although we may be different, we are all linked. Everybody belongs!

**WORKING BEES**
Last Saturday a ‘smaller than usual’ group gathered at school for our Term 1 Working Bee. Despite the low numbers, we achieved a great deal and felt as though we had ‘made a difference’!

Items achieved included:
- Attaching named tiles to the wall
- Oiling the deck in Dave’s courtyard
- Spreading softfall
- Spreading loam
- Painting the front fence
- Cleaning in the canteen
- Maintenance to the irrigation system

Big ‘Thank you’ to those who helped out on the day.

**Zebra Foods**
Sandwich of the week goes to Lola McNee. Lola had cheese and grated carrot. A simple, colourful and nutritious lunch! We are busy planning our menu for next term. Thank you to all those who have remembered to return their reusable containers and icy pole sticks. Team Zebra.

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**Student of the Week**

**Prep Smith— Lily Belle M**
For her lovely manners at all times.

**Prep Podhorsky— Jasraj G**
For always showing respect for her learning—great work.

**Junior Kelly— Oscar H**
For his great improvement in concentration and focus on his learning. Great effort!

**Junior Haberfield/Weller— Kiara S**
For her outstanding work ethic and the respect she shows all her classmates and teachers.

**Junior Wrigley— Mimi M**
For showing respect to others at all times.

**Middle Ashkanasy— Tom B**
For enthusiastically having a red-hot go at everything—including sustainability duties.

**Middle McKinnis— James W**
For showing excellent focus and effort during learning time.

**Senior Baird— Nicholas R**
For his excellently presented graph on our Bio Cats data. Top stuff Richo!

**Senior McClelland— Gelareh H**
For making a positive and respectful start to her schooling at NPS. Nice one Gelareh!

**Senior Peel— Candra W**
For his outstanding work during Genius Hour his partner Zeke—well done boys!

**Arts— Harry R**
For his detailed artwork and using his time in art sessions effectively.

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**K-ROCK WEATHER — Shakirah**

**ASSEMBLY** every Friday at 3:10pm

**ASSEMBLY LEADERS:** Mikaela and D’Artagnan
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 for the raffles at our final Term 1 assembly. Major Prize—$100 seafood voucher supplied by Bay City Fisheries.

Bikes in the Yard
It is great to see so many bikes in our bike racks. Please help to keep these secure by ensuring you have a reliable and sturdy lock. Bike chains wrapped around scooters can be used to make sure they are secure also.

Cross Country/Fun Run
On Wednesday 18th March we had our annual Cross Country Fun Run. It was a great day, full of activity. The weather was kind to us and the venue was perfect. There were some super results over the course of the day and here is the list of podium finishers in each age group.

3 lap race:
- 12 y.o. girls Hannah T (14:16) Grace M, Stephanie H
- 12 y.o. boys Fin D (12:35) Rory T, Lachie D
- 11 y.o girls Aimee W (13:31) Lily G, Shylah T
- 11 y.o. boys Will T (13:49) Tyson M, Euan H

2 lap race:
- 10 y.o. girls Savannah H (8:51), Isabel E, Mahala D-C
- 10 y.o. boys Isaac H (8:24) Lochie F, Oliver W
- 9 y.o. girls Macey F (10:12) Maggie T, Amy L
- 9 y.o. boys Max D (8:55) Lachlan T, Tom A

1 lap race:
- Yr 2 /8y.o girls Maggie D, Zoe B, Gemma E
- Yr 2 /8y.o boys Lachlan A, Owen S Charlie C

Our Preps and Year Ones participated in a fitness circuit and finished with a lap of the circuit. It was a very exciting day for them and although it was a long morning, the children were beautifully behaved.

I must make special mention of my Year 6 sports monitors who were fantastic and a wonderful help to me throughout the day. We met on several occasions before the day and discussed their jobs and responsibilities. They worked tirelessly in many roles and I was very proud of them. So to Fin D, Hannah T, Levi W, Rory T, Cashel Q, Ben McP, and fill ins, Stephanie and Amy, I thank you very, very much.

Also, a big thank you to all the teachers who contributed to the successful running of the event: recorders, time keepers, crowd controllers and to all the parents who also gave up their time to ensure the safe running of races. Special thanks to Tim Johnston, who helped me with the set up down at the oval and for supplying a much needed coffee to me!!!!!

This year we introduced a Cross Country Perpetual Trophy to be awarded to the House Team (Shannon, Skene, Aberdeen, George) that had tallied the most points over the course of the days events. The inaugural winner of the Newtown Primary School Cross Country trophy was George. Congratulations to George and to all students who participated in the day.

Now is the time to collect your fundrasiing money and make your online payment so we can get some great new sports equipment. Happy Collecting. Ms Jaci

Special thanks to Ms Jaci also for her work on planning, organising and running this spectacular school event.

Dogs in the Yard
We seem to have an increasing number of dogs in our yard at ‘drop off’ and ‘pick up’ times. This is a sign of people being active and walking to school to exercise both themselves and their pets. Owners of dogs are requested to attend to the dogs and ensure that our younger students do not get their faces too close to the dogs. The students will learn more about this at the ‘Responsible Pet Ownership’ incursion on Friday.

Second Hand Uniforms for Sale
2 dresses size 8 & 10, jumper size 8, skort size 8 (brand new), light blue long sleeve polo size 6, 2 short sleeve size 6, sports top size 6, track pants, bag. Call Lynley 0481055269. Girls Kilt size 10, brand new, $20. Call Kay 0407310823.

Uniforms: we still have sports tops here for sale at school until sold out and also size 6, 14 & 16 in Rugby jumpers at half price.

BPAY—Please remember BPAY is only for excursions/incursions (incl. camps & swimming) that cost over $5 per student. If you do make a payment, please notify us of what it is for.
WALNUT MELBOURNE
WAREHOUSE SALE
Samples, Seconds & Discontinued Stock
Ladies & Children’s Shoes, Socks, Accessories and More
Prices from $2!

Newtown Primary School presents
James Bond Auction & Trivia Night
Saturday May 30th @ 6pm in Newtown Primary’s Multipurpose Hall

“You Only Live Twice” so join Quiz Master Simon “Dr. No” Morrison and Ray White Auctioneer Adam “Goldfinger” Natowenski for a James Bond 007 themed night of trivia, major & secret auctions and a chance to shake and stir your stuff on the dance floor.

Tickets - $20 Earlybird Tickets. $25 after May 10th. available at office
Dress - Dress to kill in James Bond costume
Prizes - for Best dressed male & female
Drinks - Drinks at bar prices. No BYO booze.
Food - BYO nibbles
EFTPOS - available on night

For more information and details of trivia items like us on Facebook @ Newtown Primary Trivia Night

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MALVERN
St John’s Hall,
5 Finch St,
Malvern East
Fri 20th Mar.
9am - 5pm

GEELONG
All Saints Parish Hall,
113 Noble St,
Newtown
Mon 23rd Mar.
9am - 5pm

WILLIAMSTOWN
Lacrosse Club,
Cnr Garden St,
Williamstown
Tues 24th Mar.
9am - 5pm

CAMBERWELL
St David’s Hall,
Cnr Burke Rd & Mont Albert Rd,
Camberwell
Wed 25th Mar.
9am - 5pm

SANDRINGHAM
Scout Hall,
74 Barnfield St,
Sandringham
Thurs 26th Mar.
9am - 5pm

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