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**Arts Festival**

**Thursday, October 23rd 5pm—8pm**

Save the date!

Preparations are under way for a great evening of our children’s art, music by the Sweethearts Academy, Sonus and Mama-sing, food, shopping, and kids activities. Invite your aunts, uncles, grandparents and friends along!

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We are currently collecting books for a second hand books sale. Please clear your bookshelves to help stock our stall!

We are also seeking stall holders to sell hand made goods, crafts etc. Low site fee.

If you, or someone you know are interested in purchasing a stall site, please contact Emma Breuer (Ph 0400 108 185)

**Excursions/Incursions—Term 4, 2014**

Each term teachers plan learning experiences that address the AusVELS curriculum requirements. In so doing, they may plan incursions or excursions that make the learning more powerful. While teachers try to keep costs to a minimum, there is always an additional expense.

A forecast of excursion/incursion costs for Term 3 and 4 are:

- **Family Life (Grades 3, 4, 5, 6)** - $20
- **Scienceworks (SLA)** - $20
- **Scienceworks (Prep)** - $22

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**DIARY DATES—please take note**

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Poppykettle (1-2) - $10
Camp Deposits (3-6) - $50
Adventure Park (Grade 6 only) – Roughly $35-$40
Swimming— approx. $60—$70
Non-payment of costs means that the school must meet the shortfall. This reduces the monies available for other resources for all students. Please refer to our school ‘Parent Payment Policy’ available in the Policy section of our school website. www.newtownps.vic.edu.au

Oval
During the school holidays a group of committed parents have been installing irrigation into the area behind the Multi-Purpose Room. This was an enormous effort that will bring the benefits to our school in the future. Special thanks to Sam Tucker and Tim Johnston for leading this work, assisted by Tony Hedley, Con Kamvoussoulis, John Henderson, Brendan Quirk, Greg McKenzie, David Shepherd and Paul Breguet.

Study Tour to Japan
During the September holiday, I had the pleasure of taking a ‘self funded’ study tour to Japan. The trip took me to many cultural sites as well as school board and union meetings and a school visit. I also had the great pleasure of a ‘home stay’ with a Japanese family.
It was a rich opportunity to begin to understand the similarities and differences between education in Victoria, Australia and in Shizuoka, Japan. Surprisingly there were more similarities than differences!
This photograph captures ‘school lunch’ with a group of Year 4 students and my generous host.

Swimming Lessons for Term 4
This term we will again be taking part in Intensive Swimming and Water Safety Lessons at The Geelong College pool. These sessions are an important and valuable part of the Health and Physical Education curriculum for all Victorian state schools. Please note that this year’s pricing will be similar to last year’s. In 2013, the Prep – 2 fee was $58 per student and Grades 3-6 paid $67. More detail in the weeks to come.
Jarrod McKinnis

Student of the Week 19/9

Prep Haberfield: The whole class!
For being a fantastic group of students! Keep showing respect!

Prep Podhorsky: Indigo H
For reading so well & for having excellent comprehension.

Junior Kelly: Millie R
An excellent attitude towards her learning and displays great pride in her book work.

Ethan T: great focus when reading.

William H: displaying a caring attitude towards others.

Junior Smith: Jayden K
For his amazing participation in the school concert. You are a SUPERSTAR Jayden.

Junior Wrigley: Alice B
For her wonderful achievement completing the Newtown Reading Challenge.

Middle Ashkanasy: Cordelia K

Middle Baird: Anneliese E
For trying her personal best and completing all tasks. Well done.

Senior Burn: Charlotte D
For her amazing manners that she displays in the SLA.

Senior McClelland: Nash G
For working hard to clean up his workspace and the SLA. Great initiative!

Senior Peel: Mikaela S
For her outstanding performance as a “Bollywood Girl” at the school concert!

K-ROCK - 8:30AM MONDAY
EMMA Z
ASSEMBLY EVERY FRIDAY AT 3:10PM
ASSEMBLY LEADERS: SARAH AND HAYDEN
Sweethearts Academy
You have probably heard of the ‘Sweethearts’ Music Group based at Matthew Flinders Secondary College. There is also a group called the ‘Sweethearts Academy’. This is a music program for younger girls (9-14 years). The aim is to give girls the skills to create great music and engaging performances.

There is a highly effective mentor program which connects each of the Academy girls with one of the Sweethearts. The Academy perform throughout the region and we are fortunate to have them performing at the Newtown PS Arts Show on October 23. Academy rehearsals take place every Monday from 4-6pm at Matthew Flinders Girls Secondary School. Please contact Rose Humphrey rose@sweethearts.com.au or Mrs Bedson for details.

Kelly Sports
Kelly Sports is once again available as an extra curricula activity. Book your place now!
Friday afternoon—Dance program
Wednesday afternoon—Multi-sports activity.

Serendip
10 families enjoyed a school holidays ‘catch up’ at Serendip Sanctuary. As well as exploring the sanctuary, these families enjoyed a BBQ lunch. Thanks to our Parent Ambassadors for organising this activity as a way of building a stronger sense of community in our school—a priority identified in our Parent Opinion Survey in 2013.

Kitchen Clean Up—Wednesday 15 2:30pm
Our school kitchen/canteen is in need of a ‘spring clean’ before the coming Arts Show. If you are available to help out, please come to the canteen next Wednesday, October 15 @ 2:30pm.

Run Geelong—November 23
Newtown Primary School is involved with Run Geelong again this year. All proceeds from Run Geelong go to the Special Care Nursery at the Geelong Hospital.

Run Geelong offers incentives for schools that take part, according to the number of registrations that we have. You can either take part in a 12km run, a 6km run, a 6km walk or a 1km kids run.

This year it is much easier to join Team Newtown Primary School and have your registration count towards the incentive program. When you register online you can choose Newtown Primary School as your team.
More details next week.

Excursion / Incursion Payments: please note that different excursion notes & payments can be placed in the one envelope and siblings notes can go together in one envelope as well. This will save you envelopes and streamline the process in the office! Any fundraising, bookclub money, special lunches etc needs to be separate though.
Thank you.
ARTS FESTIVAL

5:00 till 8:00 pm
Thursday 23rd October

School Students
Newtown Primary
Artwork by our
Celebration of
Exhibition and
You’re invited to an

Festival Events
Performances at 6:00
Sweepstakes Auction
Special Appearances
Singing Castles Galore
Craft Stalls
Food Stalls

Newtown Primary School