Important Dates to put in the diary

Friday 21st August
District Athletics Carnival
Indonesian Lunch/Cultural Dress Up Day
School Assembly—Earlier Start 2.45pm

24th—26th August
Book Week

Monday 24th August
Art Extension Excursion—’The Big Draw’ - Federation Square
Book Fair Open after school

Tuesday 25th August
Book Week Dress Up Parade 9.05am - Coffee & Chat in MPR after parade
Book Fair Open before and after school

Wednesday 26th August
Book Fair Open before and after school
Prep Incursion - Hands on Science

Thursday 27th August
Pupil Free Day—No School

We would like to wish the following students a very happy birthday.

Max, 3/4H
Elena, 3/4N
James, 1/2M

Ebru, 5/6M
Venu, 3/4G
Cohen, 1/2M

Ruby, 3/4H
Laura, 5/6D
Sam, 1/2O

Otto, 3/4O
Finn, 3/4H
Emmy, 5/6D

Scarlett, 3/4M
April, 5/6W
indepriett, 5/6W

AWARDS

Darcie, 1/2O
Grace, Prep C
Connor, Prep P

Audrey, 5/6M
Alexander, 1/2R
Tiger, 3/4N

Ava, 3/4H
Griff, 3/4G
Emmy, 5/6D

Elsie, 5/6W
Adam, 3/4M
Lily, 3/4M

Max V, 3/4O
Kiowa, 1/2C
Hamish, 5/6D

Lennon, 3/4H
Madhi, 3/4O
Macy, 1/2L

Ibrahim, 5/6M
Alyssa, Prep S
Isabelle, 3/4O

Coco, 3/4G
Amy, 3/4G
Lily, 1/2M

Xavier, 1/2C
Jemima, 1/2R
Mac, 1/2M

Mia, 3/4N
Manar, 5/6L
Leo, Prep P

Jasper, 1/2O
Tom, 5/6W
Annalise, 1/2L

Thursday 27th August
Pupil Free Day— NO SCHOOL
Dear Parents,

**Indonesian Student Visitors** - Our Indonesian student visitors depart at the end of this week after a 3 week home stay visit to Newport Lakes PS. We hope that they have enjoyed their visit to our school as much as we have enjoyed having them being part of the Newport Lakes Primary School Community. Thank you once again to our host families for making our visitors feel at home in Australia and we hope you have also gained much and enjoyed the experience.

There will be a special farewell performance from our visitors at this week’s school assembly beginning at the earlier time of 2.45pm. We hope as many parents as possible can come along and join us to say goodbye.

**Skip-a-thon** – Last week’s Skip-a-thon was a big success with everyone having a wonderful time and all for a great cause. There were children skipping forwards, backwards, sideways, criss- cross, double time, individually, together, short ropes, long ropes ....children were skipping everywhere around the school. It was a fun, enjoyable and entertaining activity involving all students and staff. The Yr. 6 students were also outstanding in their leadership and assisting with the organising of the day.

Children are now encouraged to collect and return their sponsorship money by next Wednesday 26th August in readiness for the big raffle draw of prizes at the school assembly on the following Friday 28th August.

**Swimming** – The school’s swimming programs will be conducted in term 4. Because of the limited numbers available at the Bayfit Pool and the ‘drop off’ in interest in Yr. 4 students attending the 10 day intensive lesson program, this year we are trialling a beach program for the year 4 children, similar to the very popular Yr. 5&6 beach program.

The Yr. 4 beach program will also be supervised by the Williamstown Life Saving Club ensuring we have a continuous curriculum but will be conducted for the 1 day only.

The P-3 swimming program will be conducted from the 19-30th October ( Term 4 ,weeks 3 & 4) and the Yr. 4-6 beach programs will be conducted in December. Notes for the P-3 program will be sent home this week.

I will beginning Long service Leave next Monday for the remaining 4 weeks of term 3. In my absence Janet will be Acting Principal.

David Moss
Principal
The Newport Lakes Parent Club is a wonderful attribute to our school. In many different ways, it makes our school very special and is a significant contributor to the ‘community feel’ we hear so much about and are very proud of at our school. But the reality is, the Parents Club is on the brink of collapse and unless there are members of the school community that are willing to support parents club then it will no longer exist when we begin 2016.

Many activities and events that your children (and parents) currently love and enjoy will not be conducted. There will be no further icy pole days, no ‘Mothers Day Breakfast’, no special lunches, no Easter raffle, no ‘Fresh Fruit Mondays’, no Family Life sessions, no trivia nights and the list goes on. The teachers and school leadership will also miss having that ‘very special group’ that we rely so heavily upon to do ‘those extra special things’ which make your child’s classroom and their school a very special place eg. morning tea at the Yr. 1/2 Grandparents Day.

As well as conducting all these events and activities the Parents Club also raises funds that go directly into making your child’s school a better place. These funds are made available directly to the teachers to purchase items to enrich and improve their classrooms or school programs. A few recent purchases from Parent Club Grants include Lego Robotic Kits, classroom literacy sets, musical instruments, Levelled Literacy Sets (intervention resources) the outdoor giant Lego blocks and the list goes on... Although fund raising is only a secondary purpose of the Parents Club, there is no denying that all of these purchases enrich the learning and playing of all our children.

Parents Club is also about making our parents feel more welcome and belonging to our school. As a member of Parents Club you will get to know more parents and teachers at the school and also see the wonderful work they do in the classrooms. We would also like to make future meetings more informative with guest speakers and different representatives of the school talking about the wonderful things happening in classrooms eg. music, Indonesian, literacy intervention, etc.

Without a Parents Club, the school will still continue. Your children will continue to learn, they will continue to be safe and they will continue to have fun and enjoy school. But we would lose a special part of the school and it will simply not be as rich in so many ways as it is at present.

What can you do?? Show and demonstrate your support. At present there is no leader of the Parents Club and at the last Parents Club meeting there were only 4 attendees. I know we are all very busy but when it involves your children and the quality of their education and school life then we always need to find that bit of extra time. Please come along to the next meeting and show your support. Consider taking on some form of leadership role, or possibly sharing it with another. Parents Club needs new parents, existing parents, mums, dads, (grandparents are also most welcome), working, non-working, part time working parents, professional, non-professional, skilled, non-skilled, it doesn’t matter. If your child attends our school and you would like to help then that is all that is required. There is no boundary or limitation – we just need a bit of your time.

The next meeting is on Monday 31st August at 7.30pm in the Multi Purpose Room. We hope as many parents as possible can make it along.
CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to these students who won the school awards for RESECT. These awards were given out at assembly last Friday August 14th.

Jasper, Prep P
Ella 3/4N
Joseph, 1/2L
Seb A, 5/6D

For these two weeks we are focusing on RESILIENCE.

Keep up the great work with upholding our school values everyone!

The Welfare Team

INDONESIAN CULTURAL DAY—
FRIDAY 21ST AUGUST -

Students are encouraged to come to school dressed in Indonesian theme or colours on this day. Gold coin donation.

All money raised will be donated to the Oranutang Foundation.

In Term 4 the Art Room will trial communal art smocks. The Art room has two class sets (small size and medium size) that will be used. Individual art smocks will be returned during Term 3. Please do not buy a new art smock as yet. In Term 4 parents will be informed of any changes to the art smock situation for 2016. Any questions please email or speak to Laura Russell - Art Teacher.
BOOK WEEK

Mon 24th Aug - Fri 28th Aug

The Book Fair is arriving on Monday morning and all children will have a chance to have a look through the books during the day.

On Monday it will be open from **3pm until 4.30pm**.
On Tuesday and Wednesday it will be open between **8.30 and 11.00**, and then **3pm until 4.30pm**.

If you are unable to come up to the school during these times and you would like your child to buy something, put the name of the book and the money into an envelope and Beth will take your child over to buy it.

BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP PARADE - Tuesday 25th August

Come and dress up as your favourite book character! Students are able to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. There will be a whole school parade at 9.05am on the artificial turf (weather permitting). A morning tea will be held after the parade for parents in the Multi Purpose Room. The book fair will be open for parents at this time. Everyone welcome.

Can’t wait to see you there!

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**SCHOOL BANKING UPDATE**

**Cosmic Light Beam Torch Recall**

Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch.

Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program.

Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received or requested a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item. Impacted students will be notified of the process to replace their rewards.

If you have any questions, please call/email the School Banking Co-ordinators (Parent representatives): Allana Arapakis on 0400 113 333 or aarapakis@optusnet.com.au or Daria Hewitt on 0402 329 611 or daria.nick@gmail.com
Enrichment & Extension

Chess and Checkers Club
Thursday Lunchtime
Everyone welcome

Thank you to Parents Club for kindly donating the sets.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Just a reminder that if you are participating in the Premier’s Reading Challenge, all books need to be logged and entered on www.education.vic.gov.au/prc by 4th of September. No data can be entered after this date. The Co-ordinator (Diana) will verify each entry. Certificates will be issued early Term 4.

Brainteaser

You are on your way to visit your Grandma, who lives at the end of the valley. It's her birthday, and you want to give her the cakes you've made.

Between your house and her house, you have to cross 7 bridges, and as it goes in the land of make believe, there is a troll under every bridge! Each troll, quite rightly, insists that you pay a troll toll. Before you can cross their bridge, you have to give them half of the cakes you are carrying, but as they are kind trolls, they each give you back a single cake.

How many cakes do you have to leave home with to make sure that you arrive at Grandma's with exactly 2 cakes?

Answer: At each bridge you are required to give half of your cakes, and you receive one back. Which leaves you with 2 cakes after every bridge.
eTips: Issue 5

Students need help to be great digital citizens and need to know what to do if/when things go wrong.

Everyone needs to learn how to be a good digital citizen in order to maintain a safe and positive online environment. One way that we promote this is through the 'THINK' slogan at our school.

Being a good citizen is no different to being a good digital citizen; how we behave in person should continue online. For example, you wouldn't say something nasty to someone else, so it shouldn't be done online either; you wouldn't tell a stranger personal details like where you live, so that also shouldn't be shared online.
NLPS students THINK when they are online!

It is really important to THINK about what you are doing and how you are behaving online.

Tell an adult you trust if you see something online that upsets you.
Or if someone makes you feel unhappy.

Hide your password.
Only ever share your password with your parents or your teacher - never with your friends.
Someone else could go online pretending to be you and do something that could get you into trouble.

Interesting websites can be fun.
Check with Mum or Dad or your teacher if a site is okay to use before you visit.
Sometimes they can set up a list of good sites just for you.

Name calling or being mean is not cool and could be CyberBullying.
Be nice when talking online or over the phone.
Look out for yourself and for others.

Keep your special personal information safe.
Never give your full name, address or phone number to anyone, you don’t know in the real world.
KIDS’ OWN BOOK CUBBY LAUNCH WITH CLAIRE SAXBY

This Book Week we are unveiling our brand new Book Cubby. This mobile library is dedicated to showcasing books made by children for children. CBCA shortlisted author Claire Saxby will be our special guest and help us to turn children into authors. Children are invited to make a book and be the first to fill the shelves of the cubby.

**Date** Sunday 23 August

**Time** 2.30pm to 4pm

**Where** Altona North Community Library

**Bookings** [http://libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](http://libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au) or phone 1300 HOB LIB

LIBRARY ILLUSTRATION PRIZE 2015

Be pART of it

Create a piece of artwork inspired by your favourite book. Illustrators can use any medium including pencils, crayon, paint; graphic design and photography to recreate a scene from a published piece of literature.

Every picture tells a thousand words, what story will your illustration tell?

Over **$1000** of cash and book prizes to be won.

Entry is open to young people from Prep to Year 12, who attend school or live in Hobsons Bay or are a member of Hobsons Bay Libraries.

Don’t miss your chance to showcase your art and win some cash. Download your entry form from the library website today.


A big thank you to Wendy Oates, Heide, Freya & Indy’s mum for covering books for the Reading Intervention program. Your help is greatly appreciated.
Nature strip rectification works to Elizabeth Street school zone

Hobsons Bay City Council will be undertaking work at the front of the Newport Lakes Primary School in 2015 to address areas damaged by foot traffic.

A draft concept plan has been prepared showing treatments such as widened footpaths, hard surfaces to high traffic areas, repaired grass areas, low maintenance planting and new trees.

The plan aims to make walking and riding to school easier and improve the presentation of the nature strip areas.

HAVE YOUR SAY
You are invited to provide comments on the plan by 15 August 2015.

To request a copy of the plans, obtain further information on the proposed works or to provide your feedback please contact the Project Team via:

Email: projects@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au
Phone: 9932 1131
Repair damaged areas of nature strip grass. Install temporary fencing to select areas until grass establishes.

Retain existing tree and place compacted granitic sand to base where grass cannot grow.

Install 500mm wide concrete 'landing' strip along back of kerb, adjacent vehicle drop off zone.

Plant new Eucalyptus tree in compacted granitic sand where tree was previously removed.

Remove existing footpath and install new two metre wide footpath to this area to accommodate busy school traffic.

Provide generous splayed edges to path intersection.

Remove existing tree and replace with new Eucalyptus tree. Install low maintenance planting 'buffer' between road and school entry.

Retain existing bicycle racks and concrete pad. Extend paved area around racks.

Provide paved access to drop off zone and around high traffic area at entry.

Remove existing tree and replace with new Eucalyptus tree. Install low maintenance planting 'buffer' between road and school entry.

Re-use and place Elm log 'stepping stones' within compacted granitic sand alongside footpath.

Widen Footpath to 2m to this location.
Park opening and planting day

Sunday 23 August 2015
Jack Madigan Reserve
Mason Street, Newport

Planting activity 10-11.30
Official opening 11.30-12.30

Jack is back!

After more than a decade Jack Madigan Reserve will be reopened to the community with a planting day, local music and food, and children’s activities.

Over the past two years the park has been rehabilitated and reinvented with recycled materials and unique landscape features that tell the story of the reserve’s fascinating history.

Now that the transformation is complete you are invited to come along and celebrate the return of Jack Madigan Reserve.

Please RSVP with your name, number of attendees and contact details by 19 August via email to projects@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au or call 9932 1131

Follow Phil the Gnome’s journey on our Facebook page. He’s just a small part of the diversity of recycled (and fab) materials that have been used to construct the new park.

Please note: in the event of extreme weather, the opening will be rescheduled. Check the Council website for updates.

GELLIBRAND CRICKET CLUB

YEARS 5 - 7
YEARS 7 - 9
UT1s | UT2s | UT3s | UT4s | UT5s

Gellibrand invites junior girls and boys of all ages and abilities to play cricket this summer at our family friendly club.

To find out more and register for this season please come along to our clubrooms (Digman Reserve, Hobson St, Newport)

Friday 14 August 2015
5.30pm - 7.00pm
Free sausage sizzle and soft drinks

or contact: James Bullock
0401 795 559
digmanreserve@otenet.com.au

Lee Smart
0400 032 785
leesmart@gellibrand.com

FOOTSCRAY CITY COLLEGE PRESENTS

SWEENEY TODD SCHOOL EDITION

THE DIABOLIC BARBER OF FLEET STREET - A MUSICAL MELIODAS

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY Stephen Sondheim
BOOK BY Hugh Wheeler

ORIGINALY DIRECTED BY Harold Prince
ORIGINALY PRODUCED IN BROADWAY BY Richard Bock
CHARLES WOODWARD, THOMAS M. ROSE, MELVIN LEWIS, WITHEART RICHARDS
IN ASSOCIATION WITH DEAN AND UTTI MURDOCHS
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FOR MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL, MELB

SCHOOL OPENING NIGHT - THURSDAY AUGUST 7TH 7:30 PM - SATURDAY AUGUST 7TH 7:30 PM

ASSOCIATED WITH THE LONDON SCHOOL'S OWN YEAR'S WENDY

THEATRE DOWNS: 102 SOUTHWICK STREET, SOUTHAMPTON, HANTS, SO14 2DA

GELLIBRAND CRICKET CLUB

www.gellibrandcricketclub.com.au

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HOBSONS BAY CITY COUNCIL

Please note: in the event of extreme weather, the opening will be rescheduled. Check the Council website for updates.
The Library is hosting a "Create a Christmas Card" contest! Create a Christmas card with your own theme and post it in the office or on the library's social media pages.

Rules:
- Cards must be original and creative.
- Entries are due by December 15th.
- A winner will be announced on December 20th.

Judges will award prizes to the top three entries.

How to Enter:
- Submit your card to the Library Office by December 15th.
- The winners will be announced on December 20th.

Prize 2015

Library
LIBRARY ILLUSTRATION PRIZE 2015
Be pART of it

Entry form
Complete this form and attach it to your entry

Age
Grade/Year level
Book title and author
Title of your artwork
Briefly describe the part of the story that inspired your artwork

Are you entering the Christmas card design category?

Participant's details
Surname
First name
Library membership number (entrant or guardian)
Date of birth
Grade/Year level
School
Home address
Postcode
Phone number
Guardian's email address

Where did you find out about the Library Illustration Prize?

Declaration
I declare that this is an original artwork and I agree to the conditions of entry
Signed (entrant)
Signed (guardian)

Privacy Notification
The information requested is being collected by the Council for the purposes of the Library Illustration Prize. The information and artwork supplied will be used only for this purpose and/or directly related purposes unless consent is otherwise provided by the applicant.
Dives and Turns

Specialised classes to improve dives and turns are being offered during Swimvac – our holiday intensive swimming program.

Beginner Class
Open to all swimmers from Dolphin through to Kingfish. Swimmers will work on all components of the correct dive including using their legs, a smooth entry, holding the streamline position and the breakout. They will also work on freestyle tumble turns, streamlining off the wall and the breakout.

Advanced Class
Open to Kingfish and above. Covers all racing starts and turns including Individual Medley and correct race finishing techniques. During the dive component, swimmers will work on using their legs, a smooth entry, pull-outs for breaststroke, streamlining and breakouts. They will also work on all tumble turns, streamlining off the wall, breaststroke pullouts and breakouts.

Fee per class
$19.15

Class limit
6 students

Please see Reception to book into a Dives and Turns class.

Telephone
93924444

www.carlile.com.au
Our holiday intensive swimming program

During the school holidays we will be conducting our SwimVac program, where for a reduced fee, your child can receive intensive tuition each weekday. This program produces significant results, especially for those pupils who are either new to the program, or who are on the verge of achieving their next certificate. These classes are very popular, so please be sure to book early at Reception or by phoning 9392 4444. Payment must be made at the time of booking to confirm your place in the program.

Dates
**Week 1 (5 days):**
Monday 21st to Friday 25th September
Cost: $83

**Week 2 (5 days):**
Monday 28th September to Friday 2nd October
Cost: $83

Times
**Tadpole to Marlin:**
Half hour lessons between 1pm and 3pm

**Kingfish and Superfish:**
45 minute lessons between 1pm and 3pm

**Dives, Starts and Turns classes also available:**
Please turn over for details

Refunds are not given for missed or unused lessons. A credit for the full amount of the program is given for cancellations made 48 hours before the program starts. Cancellations made less than 48 hours before the program starts receive a credit for 50% of the full amount. No refunds or credits are given for cancellations after the program has started.
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FREE EVENT
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Altona Meadows Library & Learning Centre
22 August 10am-12pm

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Romsey Primary School is 150 years old this year.

You are invited to join us for our celebrations on Saturday October 24th between 10.00am and 4.00pm.

- School tours and visits to the old school site,
- Displays of student projects, old photos and other memorabilia,
- Performances and demonstrations by students.
- Devonshire Teas and gourmet bar-b-cue.
- Market Stalls
- A formal ceremony to mark the occasion at 2.30pm

Catch up with old friends or discover RPS for the first time!

For further information contact us on 03 5429 5099, email romsey.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au or visit www.romseyps.edu.au

On Saturday evening: Attend a special screening of Dirty at the Mechanics Hall
On Sunday visit Sydney Seymour Cottage World Children's Day activities
On Sunday enjoy a family picnic day at the old school site.
And while you are in town look out for special deals in our cafes and restaurants.

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