Important Dates to put in the diary

Thursday 30th April 3/4 Camp Deposit due
Friday 1st May School Athletics Carnival
Prep—1 Tabloid Sports Day
Thursday 7th May 2016 Prep Information Evening—6.30 pm
Grade 3/4 Design Expo—2.00pm—3.30-pm MPR
Friday 8th May Mother’s Day Breakfast
Cross Country
Tuesday 12th May NAPLAN
Wednesday 13th May NAPLAN
Thursday 14th May NAPLAN
Sunday 17th May Grade 1/2 Dance Party
Monday 18th May School Council Meeting
19th May—27th May Somers Camp

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

Shea, 3/4G  Hamish, 5/6D  Chloe 1/2R
Leni, 3/4O  Griff, 3/4G  Hamish, 1/2C
Audrey, 5/6M  Marlo, 5/6W  Isaiah, Prep C
Tilda, 3/4G  Saja, 1/2R  Will, 3/4G
Isaac, 5/6L  Ned, 3/4H  Daniel, 3/4O
Dee Dee, 5/6M  Ben, Prep S  Abby, 5/6L
Daisy, 5/6M

AWARDS

Congratulations to our award winners :-

April, 3/4M  Finn, 5/6W  Jed, Prep C
Imogen, 3/4O  Nicholas, 1/2L  Iubby, 1/2O
Tara, 1/2M  Ali, Prep S  Jasper, 5/6M
Ella, 5/6L  Violet, Prep P  Indy, 1/2C
Levi, 1/2R  Hannah, 3/4G  Olivia, 3/4N
Ava, 1/2C  India, 1/2M  Holly, 5/6D
Charli, 1/2R  Matthew, 1/2L  Ahmed, 3/4M
Edi, 3/4H  Kira, 5/6L  Ruby, 5/6W
Georgia, 3/4O  Ivy, 1/2O  Surya, Prep P
Ben, 5/6M  Miles, Prep C  Liv, Prep S
Dear Parents,

**Positive Behaviour Mural and ANZAC DAY Ceremony**

Over the last 2 weeks the school has had 2 very important presentations and ceremonies. We were able to unveil the 'Values' mural displaying the 5 school values; respect, resilience, responsibility, critical thinking and compassion. The Values have been displayed on a magnificent 4m square mural situated on the brick wall on the side of the school where all children and parents can see, admire and reflect upon every day.

On the day prior to ANZAC Day, we had our own ANZAC ceremony featuring members of the Australian, Thai and Malaysian Defence forces as well as own students. Lt. Colonel Fiona Curtis, a parent and officer in the Australian Army gave an address to the children on the Tomb of the unknown soldier, our student leaders read poems, Cole and Harvey played the Last Post and the Reveille. We all had a minutes silence to remember the fallen and the school band performed the National Anthem.

I was very proud of all our children of the respect and responsibility displayed throughout the ceremony.

*(further reports and photos of the Values mural and the ANZAC ceremony are featured later in the Newsletter.)*

**Newport Lakes PS Annual Report 2014**

The *2014 Annual Report to the Community* will be presented at the next school council meeting to be conducted on the evening of Thursday May 18. The annual report provides a means for the school council to inform the community of what has been achieved and how the school is performing. It is also an opportunity to reflect on the school's achievements during the past year and use this as a basis for future planning.

Our local state member of parliament, Mr. Wade Noonan will also be attending this meeting and has been requested to discuss with school council the proposed school masterplan, expected future growth in the local area and other proposed schools (primary / secondary) in the local area.

**Mothers Day Breakfast**

Don’t forget our wonderful Mother's Day Breakfast coming up next week (Friday 8th May). This year’s theme is ‘Garden Party’ so don’t forget to wear your ‘Fancy or Fun Hat’. The Mother’s Day Breakfast has become a highlight of our school’s calendar and is a morning enjoyed by all of those that attend.

Notes and money (an absolute bargain at $12 per family) are due back tomorrow (Friday 1st May) and we hope that all Mums and families are able to make it along on the day.

**Football Code of Conduct**

Many of the children ‘love’ playing footy at recess and lunchtimes and a football code of conduct has been implemented to assist in ensuring fair, safe and friendly matches are being played. The code was developed by the Junior School Council in 2014 and was updated by the children to meet any new rules or requirements for Newport Lakes. A copy has been distributed to all classes to discuss and to display in their rooms and also the code has been included in this week’s newsletter.

The rules have been made 'by the kids for the kids' and if we all abide by the code then there will be fewer arguments, friendlier safer and more enjoyable games for all footy players.
**NAPLAN**
Students in Yr.3 and Yr. 5 will be participating in the NAPLAN assessments later in term 2 (May 12, 13 & 14). The tests will be in Literacy (Language Conventions, Writing), Literacy (Reading) and Numeracy. If you do not wish for your child to participate in NAPLAN or would like further information in regards to the assessments, please contact your child’s teacher.

**Athletics Sports and Tabloid Sports Day**
Tomorrow (Friday 1st May) is our big School Sports Day. The Prep & Yr. 1 children have their own fantastic Tabloid Sports Carnival conducted at school and the children in Yrs. 2-6 will travel by bus to the Newport Athletics track to participate in the Schools Athletics Carnival.

Parents are most welcome to come along to either or both sports carnivals throughout the day and support the children. Volunteers are still required for the senior school Athletics Sports. Please see Terry A at the sports centre if you are able to help.

**School Uniforms**
*Online ordering* Our school uniform shop will be going ‘online’ as of the beginning of term 3. We will still be using the same supplier ‘Double C Jeanery’ and the uniform and costs will remain the same but as of next term, the school uniform can either be ordered online or purchased directly from the Double C shop in Laverton.

The Laverton store is open 7 days a week and is only 18 minutes drive from the school to the shop. Online orders can be delivered on a weekly drop off to the school (no charge) or delivered directly to the home for a small fee.

Hats, School Bags and Book Bags will still be sold at school but all other items will only be available online or from the store.

Later this term, the online facility will be available and then there will be a transition period until the end of the term where uniforms will be available online and from the school. At the beginning of term 3, new uniforms will not be available from the school.

We believe it will a much more efficient and convenient system for parents and the school office. Further details of the new system will be available in the next newsletter.

**NLPS FETE**
The NLPS Fete is a wonderful event for our school and wider community. We are going to conduct the next fete in March 2016 so the planning and organising must begin NOW!

We have an enthusiastic co-ordinator but now we need a team of enthusiastic parents. In the last newsletter there was a notice seeking out 3-4 more passionate persons for the fete committee.

Unfortunately there was no responses so we have once again placed the notice in this week’s newsletter.

To make a great fete we need help and support. Please consider if you can help out with this fantastic event.

I hope you all have a good week.

David Moss
Principal
ANZAC DAY CEREMONY
On Friday 17th April our new school mural featuring our positive values, was unveiled at the conclusion of assembly.

Our mural came about after discussions during School Council meetings in 2014 on ways of being able to display our values to the wider community.

With the assistance of our Art and Indonesian teachers Laura and Lyndal and the fantastic artwork from several of our children, a first draft was sent off to Tony Mead, one of our school parents for his input.

Tony guided the school council through some artistic changes while still remaining true to the children’s artwork and council requests.

Tony donated a huge amount of his time in developing the mural and when you see it, will understand the enormity of this task.

Our mural is a beautiful addition to our school and was well received by all those present at the unveiling.

The design incorporates our values in both English and Indonesian in the school colours of blue and yellow being a prominent features.

The school would like to thank Tony Mead for his time and expertise in making our display such a big, bold and beautiful mural.

On Thursday 28 May, Newport Lakes Primary School will support the Cancer Council’s national fundraising event Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea. We will again be providing children with a teacup biscuit (pictured) for a gold coin donation to support the Cancer Council. If your child has allergies, please send a suitable treat along for them on the day.

We are seeking 25 parent volunteers to make teacup biscuits or a cake/slice for the teachers’ morning tea. Please contact Allana Arapakis on 0400 113 333 or aarapakis@optusnet.com.au if you would like to assist with this event.
Newport Lakes Athletics Carnival

Just a reminder that Friday, 1\textsuperscript{st} May is the school’s Athletics Carnival. All students in grades 2-6 will head to the Newport Athletics Track to compete in different track and field events. The day is normally lots of fun and we encourage students to come dressed in their house team colours. We will also use the results from the day to select our Athletics team for the District Carnival in term three.

There is no canteen available at the track so children will need to bring lunch, snacks and a water bottle. We also encourage children to perform in shorts, t-shirt and runners but it may be a good idea to bring warmer clothes to wear in the morning and in between events. A comfortable cushion or mat to sit on is also advised.

Due to the weather forecast of 21\degree C for the day, it is recommended that all students bring a hat and sunscreen.

We have booked three 57 seater buses with seat belts for the day. All buses will shuttle. The first bus trip will leave school at 9am sharp. Please check to see if your child is leaving school at 9am. If they are, they will need to be at school by 8.40am. An announcement will be made at 8.45am for students who are attending the athletics carnival and on the 9am buses to come inside for the roll call. Children who are on buses scheduled to leave school at 9.15am can arrive at school at the usual time.

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Thanks to all the parents/family members who have indicated they are available to help on the day. Hopefully you have been contacted by the school to let you know what time(s) your assistance is required and at which event.

Looking forward to a great day!

Terry Antoniadis

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**Fete Committee - March 2016**

Would you like to join a fantastic team of dedicated parents and staff to work behind the scenes of the next NLPS Community Fete in 2016?? Yes, that is right, planning for Fete 2016 has kicked off.

Do you want to be part of the decision making process of what stalls / rides will be on offer? Do you have a great idea for the Fete? Do you want to learn more about Community Grants / Sponsorship and how they work?

To make our school fete successful, it takes a massive amount of Commitment, Planning, Teamwork and lots of Communication! So the earlier we get started and the more committee members we have, the more rewarding the Fete will be.

We are looking for 3-4 more passionate people to be part of the Fete Committee. If you have experience / or work in Marketing/PR, Social Media, Event Management/Catering/Logistics, Finance/Budgeting, Office Administration or maybe you are Newport’s Social Butterfly, with access to many wonderful contacts/connections within our Community, or you maybe like me, and have no experience at all, there is a role to suit everyone!

If you would like to know more, please have a chat to myself, Kylie or David, or leave your details with the front office, and we will contact you.

Nicole Mansfield (Chloe’s mum – 1/2R)
0408 829 722
nicole.mansfield1@yahoo.com.au
Congratulations to Laura Russell our Art Teacher who spent the last five months working as part of a team of five weavers to create a tapestry for the National War Memorial in Canberra to commemorate the centenary of the Gallipoli landing. The 3.27m x 2.83m artwork, designed by prominent Australian artist Imants Tillers, incorporates the names of twenty-eight locations where Australian soldiers have fought from World War I to the present. The weavers worked closely with the artist to complete the tapestry in time for it to be hung at the National War Memorial for Anzac Day.
School Band

Last Friday as part of the ANZAC day tributes, the band performed once again admirably. We have such an amazing and talented group of musicians in this school. Under the guidance of Ellen our music teacher they came together and rose to the occasion of performing in front of a crowd on such an important occasion.

Congratulations to Ellen and the children on all their hard work. They were fantastic!

Brainteaser

The day before yesterday, Sarah was 7 years old.
Next year she’ll turn 10. How is this possible?

Ans: Today is Jan 1st. Yesterday December 31st was Sarah’s 8th birthday. On December 30th she was still 7. This year she will turn 9 and next year she will turn 10.
NEWPORT LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL

FOOTBALL CODE OF CONDUCT

If you're playing football, don't play an age group against another age group. We play with mixed teams - preps only; grade 1/2s; 3/4s and 5/6s.

It is necessary to have a minimum of one umpire. On a Monday, we will agree on who will be the umpire each break for the week.

If teams want to keep score, they must nominate a score keeper.

Umpiring must be fair to both teams. If players answer back to the umpire in a negative way, the umpire has the choice of the period of time that they will spend off the field.

We will use respectful language with everyone on the field.

We will be safe with other players on the field. Violence will lead to being banned from the game for an agreed period of time.

We will support all fellow players if goals or kicks are missed and encourage our team-mates.

We let other players who are kicking for goal concentrate. Goal-kickers need a 10m space in front of them. If another player moves into this space, then there is a 10m penalty awarded.

We do not push players in the back.

Players will remain on their teams throughout the snack and lunch each day. Players may swap positions.

Goal ends will be swapped every quarter.

After every goal scored there will be a ‘ball up’ by the umpire.

We are able to tackle as long as it is not on the ground and does not sling a player around.

We are able to smother kicks. A mark is not counted if it was effectively touched.

We are able to kick off the ground, unless it is very close to another player’s hand.

Depending on the size of the field the 10m or 15m rule applies.

We stay on the mark unless they play on.

We do not pretend that something happened to get a free kick.

Deliberate outs will be penalised.

We use the ball that someone has brought, not someone else’s ball from another team.

If players duck into high tackles it is their fault.

It is good sportsmanship to shake hands at the end of the game.

Sometimes it is necessary to warm up for 15min kick to kick with the made teams only if there are two balls then start the game.

If someone gets hurt the game must stop.

*If any of these agreements are broken, then the umpire will go to the yard duty teacher on duty.*

Ratified by Newport Lakes Junior School Council
YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR MOTHER'S DAY GARDEN PARTY PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

Date: Friday 8th May 2014
Time: 7:45am - 8:45am
Where: Outside the Multi-Purpose Hall
Cost: $12 per family
Food: Pancakes, ice cream, fruit & juice

RSVP: For catering purposes, please indicate numbers of adults and children and provide the correct money in an envelope by no later than Friday 1st May.

We would like to invite you to wear a fancy or fun hat to celebrate this day! Prizes for the best effort!

Coffee Cart... As we know how much a good coffee OR hot chocolate means to many, we have organized for the coffee cart to come to the school.

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MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST... PLEASE CUT AND RETURN BY FRIDAY 1ST MAY

Name: __________________ Surname: __________________ Grade: __________
(Please write the name of your child returning the form)

Please write below the numbers of adults and children eating:

Adults: [ ] Children: [ ] ENCLOSED $12: [ ]

We would like to invite our Newport Lakes Primary School Dad’s to come and be involved in serving our wonderful Mother’s on this day. There will be a variety of roles that we would appreciate your involvement, such as setting up & packing away, serving, volunteering at the coffee cart, cooking, waiting on tables etc. If you would like to assist in this fun, hat wearing garden party please indicate below.

Dad’s Name: __________________ Surname: __________________
Email Contact: __________________ Mobile: __________________

We will be in contact with you to confirm your involvement on this special occasion!

Selina McPherson ...... AND ...... Sulari Nielsen
accounts@the-office.com.au peterandsulari@gmail.com

Your NLP'S Mother's Day Co-ordinators
DADS NEEDED.....

WOULD YOU LIKE TO ASSIST IN OUR MOTHER'S DAY GARDEN PARTY PANCAKE BREAKFAST?

We would like to invite our Newport Lakes Primary School Dad's to be involved in serving our wonderful Mother's on this day. If you would like to assist in this fun, HAT WEARING garden party, please fill out and return the reply slip that is on the Mother's Day invitation form that will be sent home and is on our school website, or contact Selina or Sulari.

Date: Friday 8th May 2014
Time: Set up at 7:00am – Pack up till 9:30am
Where: Outside the Multi-Purpose Hall
RSVP: By returning the separate form or emailing us prior to Friday 1st May

Selina McPherson ...... OR ...... Sulari Nielsen
accounts@the-office.com.au peterandsulari@gmail.com

We are in urgent need of some....

- Experienced Dad's to assist with our Coffee Cart on the day
- Flat plate BBQ's (that can be transported to the school)
- Donations of lemons

Areas of assistance for Dads: Cooking and mixing of pancakes, volunteering at the coffee cart, serving ice-cream & fruit, waiting and serving tables, cutting & chopping, serving juice, decorating, setting up and packing away

Please contact us if you are able to help by donating items or are a Dad that can assist on Friday 8th May!

Selina & Sulari
Your NLPS Mother's Day Co-ordinators

P.S: We would like to invite all Dads to wear a fancy or fun hat to celebrate this day! Prizes for the best effort!
Twilight Soirée
Thursday 4th June, 6.30pm

Students of Newport Lakes present an evening of solo music performances.

Learning to play or sing beautifully is the greatest way to experience the joy of music, and performing in public can be a fun and important part of any young musician’s development. **Performers wanted** - For students who have been learning an instrument/voice for at least 1 year and are currently having lessons. All ages welcome.

Pianist and Newport Lakes’ mum, Rachael Lawrence, will perform with any students requiring piano accompaniment for the concert, including one rehearsal.

Teachers and families are most welcome to come along and hear some beautiful music making in the Multi-Purpose Room. The event, rehearsals and performances are all free of charge.

If you would like your child to perform in the Twilight Soirée please email Rachael Lawrence soon as places are limited. rachaelmilsom@optusnet.com.au

Please include the following information:
- Your child’s name
- Class
- Instrument
- How long they have been having lessons
- Do they require piano accompaniment?
NLPS has been allocated an opportunity to host the Sausage Sizzle fundraiser at the Bunnings on Millers Road, Altona North on Saturday 30 May, 2015. In the past these have always generated well in excess of $1000 which is a great bonus for our school. Put the date in your diary and plan to come down with the whole family for a scrumdiddlyumptious Eddy’s the Butcher sausage in bread, with or without Merlino onions, for morning tea, lunch or afternoon tea – or all 3 if you’re so inclined!!

But that’s not all...
We are looking for volunteers to work a 2 hour slot between 8am and 5pm. The roster is available online at www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code 6MYH8. There are multiple slots available per 2 hour block, so please choose a time that suits you. Volunteers may also help over more than one 2 hour slot – register for as many as you like! (Just not at the same timeslot please.) The day has always been a great social event and a good way for Mums and Dads to meet other Mums and Dads over a good old fashioned BBQ.

Fine Print
Volunteers must be 15+ years, wear enclosed shoes, hair to be neat and tidy – long hair tied back
Please arrive approximately 15 mins before the start of your shift
Please BYO your own apron
Everything else will be supplied for you
If volunteering over the lunch period, please plan to have your lunch before or after your shift
   (Psst! - I know where you can grab a great sausage in bread and drink!!)

While any apron will of course be fine (and we will have a few spares available to borrow), it would be great to see as many NLPS Aprons worn on the day. They are still available in a range of colours from the office for $15. Consider purchasing one for this Bunnings BBQ and keeping for all upcoming NLPS events in the future.

Any queries, please contact Sue Phillips on 0411 709 734
Commission Payments
A big thank you to students and families for continuing to support the School Banking Program. We received $140 commission from 28 new accounts opened in Term 1 and $238 based on the value of deposits made by students, so a total of $378 for Term 1. Wow! We now have 250 students on the School Banking database, and process approximately 80 deposits per week. If any parents are interested in helping out with the school banking program, please contact Allana Arapakis or Daria Hewitt on the contact details below.

School Banking Rewards

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You could win a family trip to Disneyland!

In a school banking first, students who make a minimum of 25 deposits during 2015 will automatically receive one entry into a competition to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland. The prize includes return airfares, five nights’ accommodation, transfers and three days park entry for up to two adults and two kids, plus AUD$2,000 spending money.

**If you haven’t started banking yet, there is still time. Start banking by week 5 (11th May)** and you will still have time to make 25 deposits this year and have the chance to go in the draw. View full terms and conditions at [commbank.com.au/grandprize](http://commbank.com.au/grandprize)

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
COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS

WILLIAMSTOWN
BLUE LIGHT DISCO

15th May 2015
7:30PM - 9:30PM
Cost $7
Newport Baptist Church Hall
Mason Street, Newport

For more information contact:
LSC Scott Sutton
9392 3330

Call Helene on 0418 388 436 to celebrate your Birthday at the next disco

Come dressed in your finest boilie
fash., see a live performance from
Newport Fiddle & Folk and join
them for some bush-themed
activities.

Prize for the best dressed!
CHILDREN MUST BE PICKED UP
BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT.

YARRAVILLE MARKETS

Saturday 9th May
10am till 4pm

Masonic Hall
Corner Willis and
Canterbury St
Yarraville

Handmade
Australian Made
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PLAY RUGBY UNION

Players wanted from Under 6 to Colts

Training Tuesday and Thursday nights
Langshaws Reserve Fifth Avenue Altona North

Join Now
Phone 0422 095 998

Power House Rugby Union Club
www.facebook.com/powerhousejuniorsrufc

Passes are available from the School Office.