



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

Liam, 1O
Harper, 1O
Annelise, 5/6D
Chloe, 1C
Abby, 2M
Millie, 3/4H
Charli, 5/6M
Samuel, 5/6M
Nourah, 5/6A
Joe, 5/6D
Edison, Prep L
Tully, 3/4H
June, 3/4W
Levi, 5/6A
Ethan, 3/4M
Gemma, 5/6A
Daniel, 1C
Ry, 1O
Minnie, 1R
Reem, 1R
Bailey, 5/6D
Ryder, 2S
Arlo, 3/4W
Mali, 3/4L
Marco, 1R



Important dates to put in the diary

11th—15th November	Indigenous Week
Friday 15th November	Prep Excursion to Ceres Yr 1 Responsible Pet Incursion
Monday 18th November	2020 Prep Play Day 2.30pm—3.30pm School Council Meeting
Wednesday 20th November	Prep Fire Education Incursion
Thursday 21st November	2020 Prep Transition Day 1
Friday 22nd November	Yr 3/4 Excursion to Taskworks Yr 1 Excursion to Animal Land Farm

Student Awards

Devin, Prep L	Vu, Prep L	Spencer, Prep N
Arya, Prep S	Lily, Prep G	Amarisa, 2J
Max, 2M	Eliza, 2S	Luke, 2S
Ella, 3/4E	Georgia, 3/4E	Xavier, 3/4W
Renee, 3/4M	Henry, 3/4L	Charles, 5/6D
Henrietta, 5/6J	Ibby, 5/6A	Amelie, 5/6M

School Terms 2019

Term 1: 29 Jan—5 April
Term 2: 23 April—28 June
Term 3: 15 July—20 Sept
Term 4: 7 Oct—20 Dec

Pupil Free Days 2019

25th June
20th August
4th November

Public Holidays 2019

March 11: Labour Day
April 22: Easter Monday
April 25: Anzac Day
June 10: Queens Birthday
Sept 27: Grand Final Day
Nov 5th: Melb Cup Day

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Principal's Report



Dear Parents

It may have been a little wet, and a bit chilly, but that did not stop last Friday's Twilight Fete from being a very successful evening. 'Hats off' to the Fete Committee and the hundreds of helpers that put in so much work into making the Fete a big success for all those that attended.

There was plenty to eat, lots to do and see, awesome rides and activities for the kids, a fantastic program of entertainment and then there was 'Jakes' an upstairs lounge for those wanting to escape the crowds to get a birds eye view of the Fete – something for everyone.

Sure, a mild spring evening night may have made it a bit easier to leisurely roam around and take up the ambience of the evening but many have commented that having '4 seasons in 4 hours' makes for a typical Melbourne evening and braving the elements simply demonstrates our school value of resilience.

Friday evening once again demonstrated why Newport Lakes is such a special school. It is often in times of adversity that you see the best of people. There was a wonderful community spirit around the entire school and a 'glass half full' attitude of just getting on and making the best of our opportunities.

A massive thank you to everyone that assisted with this wonderful event – before, during and after. There were literally 'hundreds' of people that helped out in so many ways and without your support this great event just couldn't happen. And also a big thank you for those that came out on a cold and wet evening and attended the Fete – you demonstrated with your feet (and your wallets) your support your school- Thank You!

The aim and purpose of our Fete was always to provide a community event. Some Fetes tend to be quite commercial and it is about raising money but this never our priority. For us it was about being part of the Newport community and providing an evening for everyone to enjoy. In saying that, I am also pleased to confirm that in excess of \$35,000 was raised which will go towards the further improvements of our school grounds. Further details on these improvements will be in later newsletters.

After the release of our new website last week, we now follow up this week with a new and improved format of our school newsletter. We believe that the new design will not only give an improved presentation but the newsletter will also be clearer and better to read. We are continually trying to improve all areas of our school and always welcome constructive feedback to enhance the learning environment of our children. We would love to hear what you think about the new website and newsletter. Thanks again to Sam Pierce for her assistance with the improvements to the school newsletter and website.



Principal's Report (continued)

Welcome to Country & Smoking Ceremony A smoking ceremony is an ancient aboriginal custom that involves burning various native plants such as local gum leaves to produce smoke. It is believed the smoke has cleansing properties and the ability to ward off bad spirits from people and the land. Indigenous people also believe it can make a pathway for a brighter future.

Smoking ceremonies are conducted by Aboriginal people with specialised cultural knowledge. The presenters of the ceremony could be an elder of the land, have spiritual knowledge or be a cultural teacher of the mob.

On Monday we conducted our own 'Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony' at Newport Lakes to begin our Indigenous Cultural Week. Two elders of the Boon Wurrung Land of which the Yalakut-Willam is part of, performed the smoking ceremony on our soccer pitch enabling all grades to sit around and be involved. Throughout the week, all grades have been involved in numerous cultural activities celebrating the indigenous heritage of our land. The children have had a lot of fun and thoroughly enjoyed the programs.

Staff Farewells This week we farewell two of our current staff members. Bambang Murtjono, one of our Indonesian teachers will be assisting his wife in the running of their family business on the Mornington Peninsula, and Sarah Lugton will be beginning her Maternity leave at the end of this week.

Bambang will be replaced by Brian Fairman, an experienced LOTE teacher and Ellen Taylor, already well known to the school and children, will be replacing Sarah for the remainder of the year. We thank Bambang and Sarah for their services to the school and wish them all the very best for the future.

2020 Essential Education Expenses, Booklists and Contributions 2020 Essential Education Expenses, Booklists and School Fees were sent home last week via **Compass** to every Prep-Yr. 5 child.

As in recent years, we have included all the known 2020 school year costs in the list of expenses. Parents have indicated that they prefer to pay all the costs in a single fee for essential education expenses, booklists and excursion and incursion fees rather than having continual requests for money throughout the year.

School Council have again included the option of a 2-instalment payment (9th December 2019 and 23rd March 2020) for essential educational expenses and excursions levies to assist parents in payment of the fees and levies, or alternatively, they can be paid in a single payment on, or anytime before 9th December this year. The first instalment will need to be paid by 9th December to ensure that your child's book pack is purchased and available to them for when they begin their first day at school on January 29th 2020.

If any parent or family experiences difficulty in payment of the 2019 Essential Education Expenses, Booklists and Excursions levies the School Council will provide opportunities for them to enter into alternative payment arrangements with the principal.

Foundation (Prep) Transition Next Thursday we welcome our 2020 Foundation (Prep) children to Newport Lakes Primary School for the first of their 2 days of kinder-school **transition program**. In 2020 we have 84 new children beginning in our 4 Foundation classes.

The students will spend 2 half days at NLPS in preparation to begin their education in 2020. As well as the formal transition program where the children spend time with the current 2019 Prep teachers in the Prep rooms there are also a number of 'informal play times' conducted in the afternoons over a 4 week period in the playground. In these optional sessions the children get to play with other new 2020 preps and parents can get to meet each other whilst supervising their children playing on the equipment.

Hold onto your hats! With only 5 weeks to go for the remainder of the year it is certainly going to be a very busy time. Newport Lakes Primary School will go right up to the last Friday before Christmas (December 20) but will be finishing at the earlier time of 1.00pm on this day (perfect time to do that last minute shopping with the kids!)

I hope you have a good week.

David Moss
Principal





Icy Pole Fridays

Welcome back to Icy Pole Fridays THIS **Friday 15 November** and also will be run Friday November 29th and Friday December 13th. These will be fruit based icy poles in line with the school's health eating policy. The cost remains the same at 50 cents per icy pole and one icy pole per child. Thanks again to Sarah Thompson, who has once again kindly volunteered to coordinate and run the Icy Pole days. Helpers are always needed – please contact nlpsparentssclub@gmail.com lend a hand or just turn up.

2020 Prep play dates

The Parents Club will be coordinating play dates for the incoming Preppie Class of 2020, so that they can get to know the school ground and meet some kids in their class. The play dates will run at school between 2.30 – 3.30pm on:

- Monday 18 November
- Wednesday 27 November
- Thursday 5 December
- Tuesday 10 December

Please contact the Parent's Club (nlpsparentssclub@gmail.com) if you are available to help greeting the kids and parents.

2019 Prep Party

Thanks to Nicole Stupka for leading the Scavenger Hunt / Party again in 2019.

Please see flyer in this newsletter for more information.

End Of Year Gifts

As we come to the end of the year please keep an eye out for an email from your Class Rep letting you know how you can contribute to thank you gifts for your Class Teachers and the amazing Specialists and Office staff if you would like to.

Next Meeting

Thursday 28th November at The Junction Hotel, 15 Hall Street, Newport at 7.30pm.

Parent Club

Members 2019

President

Lisa O'Brien Hynes

Vice President

Erin Stubbs

Secretary

Prue Handbury

Treasurer

Nicole Stupka

General Members:

Joanne Cheng
Hannah Bald
Michelle Kinniburgh
Catherine Grant
Maria Udovicic
Rachel Hoogstrate
Dewi Pearce
Tara Naylor

2019 Projects

Second Hand Uniform Stall
Bake Stalls
Icy Pole Days
Weekly Fresh Fruit Platter for Prep-Grade 2
Mothers Day
Fathers Day
World Teacher's Day
Australia's Biggest Morning Tea
Footy Colours Day
Election BBQ
Bunnings BBQ
Life Education Session
Special Lunches
New Prep Student Play Dates



The background of the flyer is a vibrant, tropical-themed pattern of stylized leaves. The leaves are in various shades of green, yellow, and blue, creating a lush and festive atmosphere. A large, dark green circle is centered on the page, containing the event details.

Prep PARTY

Sunday 24 November 2019
2 – 4pm at school

Come celebrate the end of the first year of school
with a prep party and scavenger hunt! All 2019
preps, siblings and families welcome.

Please bring a plate to share (inc. list of ingredients)

This is an unsupervised event, parents/guardians to
attend with their child/children



MAKING MEMORIES!

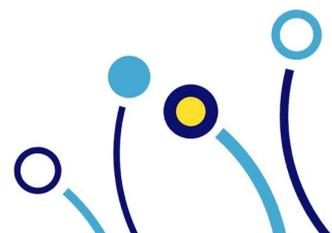


Twilight Fete



Rain, hail **AND** shine the 2019 Newport Lakes Twilight Fete promised a **memorable event** and what a night it was: art & craft, music and performance, a bustling community hub, tons of activities, delish food stalls, and thrilling rides!

The logistics involved in pulling together a large-scale event is no mean feat and, despite the wind, rain and (ahem) hail, our Twilight Fete buzzed with activity, laughter and good times.



NLPS 2019 Twilight Fete (continued)

There was the **hugely popular Splash Tank** where even the school principal enjoyed a drenching, the super fun chocolate toss amid the bustling trade of the cake stall, the incredible performances on the stage, as well as death-defying rides, crazy hair, glitter tattoos, and even an Enchanted Forest!



None of this would have been possible without acknowledging the valuable contribution of our school and wider community, as well as all the volunteers who worked so tirelessly to create such a success!



We acknowledge the generous support of our sponsors: **Mirvac, BarlowMcEwanTribe, TreeHaus Williamstown, TOY-Playhouse, Stepping Stone Coffee House, Newport Pharmacy and MDX.**



NLPS 2019 Twilight Fete (continued)



We thank local community groups: **Newport Ladies Lacrosse, Newport Power Football, Friends of Newport Lakes, Think.Focus.Act, Step into Life Newport & ABC Friends.**



Finally, **we thank you – our school community!** Volunteers are the backbone to every successful community event, and we couldn't have done it without you. Your contribution not only helped deliver a fete to remember, your incredible work also helped raise funds for school playground improvements.





Our Amazing Fete Crew!

Fete Co-ordinators

Erin Stubbs · Samantha Pierce · Karli James

Committee

Nick Handbury · Lisa O'Brien Hynes · Sophie Hickford · Kate Nash

Hannah Bald · Adele Aldridge · Wennie Tan · Nicole Stupka

Shea Menzies · Jake Mansfield · Tim Naylor · Heidi James

Stall Leads and School Community

Ysra El Houli and Family · Martin Foster · Anna Kolusniewski · Morley Family · Selina McPherson

Kinniburgh Family · Ellen Barker · Simone Bunnett · Katrina Langdon · Denise Greaney

Nick Hickford · Jacqui McDougall · Rachel Leonard · Cath Grant · Susan Johnson · Kate Gillert

Jamiee Kindt · Natalie and Dave Hill · Carol Martins · Jo Cheng · Anna Scott · Felicity Eccles

Sarah Pope · Heidi Fawcett · Jo Sutton · Ann-Maree Dawson · Fiona Lanzon · Sue High

Kim Brown · Kayleen Meehan · Carolyn Brien · Kellie Holdich

Set Up Crew

Alex Jackson · Andrew Greaney · Georgie Stubbs · Thalia Collard · Mike O'Brien

Raj Dhillon · Stella Eun Jung · Grant Siedle · Kirsten Hirschfield · Prue Handbury · Nicole Mansfield

Sponsors

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Barlow McEwan Tribe

Treehaus

Toy Playhouse

Stepping Stone

Newport Pharmacy

MDX

Mamma Knows West





Design & Signage

Oliver Stubbs - Tony Mead

Foodie Donations

Little Santorini - Dons Smallgoods - Country Women's Association
El-Houli Family - Morley and Kinniburgh Families

Stall Donations

Bunnings Altona North
Sam Pierce @ Imagine Ellie
Anthony Daniel @ Simmers Paint & Hardware

Bar Donations

Hop Nation
McCoppins Bottle Shop
Hudsons Road Wine & Beer

Community Support

Home Road Kindergarten & Carly Conlan
Williamstown Little Athletics Club
Newport Power Junior Football Club

Entertainment...

Patrick Lawrence MC
NLPS Junior School Choir - NLPS Senior School Choir - NLPS Ukulele group
MDX - Lifestyle For Kids - Hyde St Band - Hobsons Bay City Band
Victoria Scottish Pipes and Drums - Carmel Reeve's singing group





ACTIVITY: Personal strengths

Respectful Relationships @ Home

Knowing and using your personal strengths can help you:

- manage and overcome problems
- improve your relationships
- understand how our emotions impact on other's feelings
- keep you healthy and safe

ACTIVITY 1:

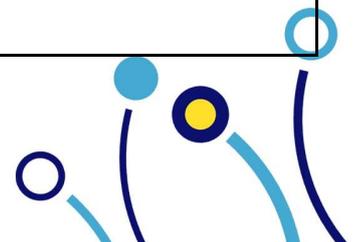
Answer the questions using the list of personal strengths below as a guide.

- What words have your teachers used to describe you?
- What words do your parents/carers use to describe you?
- What words would you like people to use to describe you?

Write any additional strengths you can think of in the blank boxes.

Accepting	Cheerful	Fun-loving	Loving	Patient
Adaptable	Clever	Generous	Loyal	Polite
Adventurous	Curious	Gentle	Joyful	Playful
Attentive	Determined	Helpful	Kind	Sensible
Brave	Encouraging	Honest	Neat	Supportive
Calm	Energetic	Independent	Organised	Thoughtful
Caring	Fair	Interested	Out-going	Tidy
Careful	Friendly	Hard working	Outspoken	Understanding

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ACTIVITY 2:

Identify the 'Top 3' personal strengths of each person in your household by completing the VIA Character Strengths Online Survey or use the list of strengths below. Compare and discuss your results.

The VIA survey help identify your personal strengths. It can be accessed for free online and will take approximately 10mins to complete.

www.viacharacter.org

<p>Honest You tell the truth even when it is not easy</p>	<p>Fair You let everyone play and you keep to the rules</p>	<p>Funny You make people laugh and feel happy</p>
<p>Curious You like to learn new things</p>	<p>Forgiving You can say sorry and move on</p>	<p>Hard working You keep working even when it gets hard</p>
<p>Kind You help other people</p>	<p>Patient You are good at waiting for your turn</p>	<p>Leadership You help the group do things</p>
<p>Friendly You are nice to everyone</p>	<p>Brave You try new things even when it's scary</p>	<p>Generous You share with others</p>

Personal strengths	Name				
	1				
	2				
	3				



Yr 5 Excursion -

On the 14th of October, professional AFLW player Lauren Spark came in to talk to the grade 5s about leadership and standing up for what you love. Lauren Spark has played for the Western Bulldogs for 3 seasons, one of them winning the premierships.

Unfortunately, women have not always been able to play AFL and still do not get as much recognition as men. Nor do they receive high wages like men which means that Lauren has to work part-time as a school teacher, as well as, training and playing footy at the elite level. Her schedule is very busy.

When Lauren was our age, women could only play footy until they were 12, but girls still weren't willing to play with the boys. Even today, another disadvantage women footballers face is that they only play eight of the 13 teams in their 2-month season.

The women footballers are fighting now to get as many games as the men.

Lauren talked to us about house captains, role models and going out of your comfort zone. Part of this was nominating yourself for roles that you would not go for because you are shy or afraid. Lauren wouldn't have got this lifetime opportunity if she didn't stay strong when she was getting criticised for what she loved. Lauren told us that even if you are shy, don't show it and you'll get through the hard times. Lauren has had a lot of negative comments said against her, but with her parents and teammates she was able to get through it. Lauren has inspired us to go for the role of house captain and stand up for what we love and fight to have our opinions heard.

- By Simone, Ruby and Lily (Grade 5)



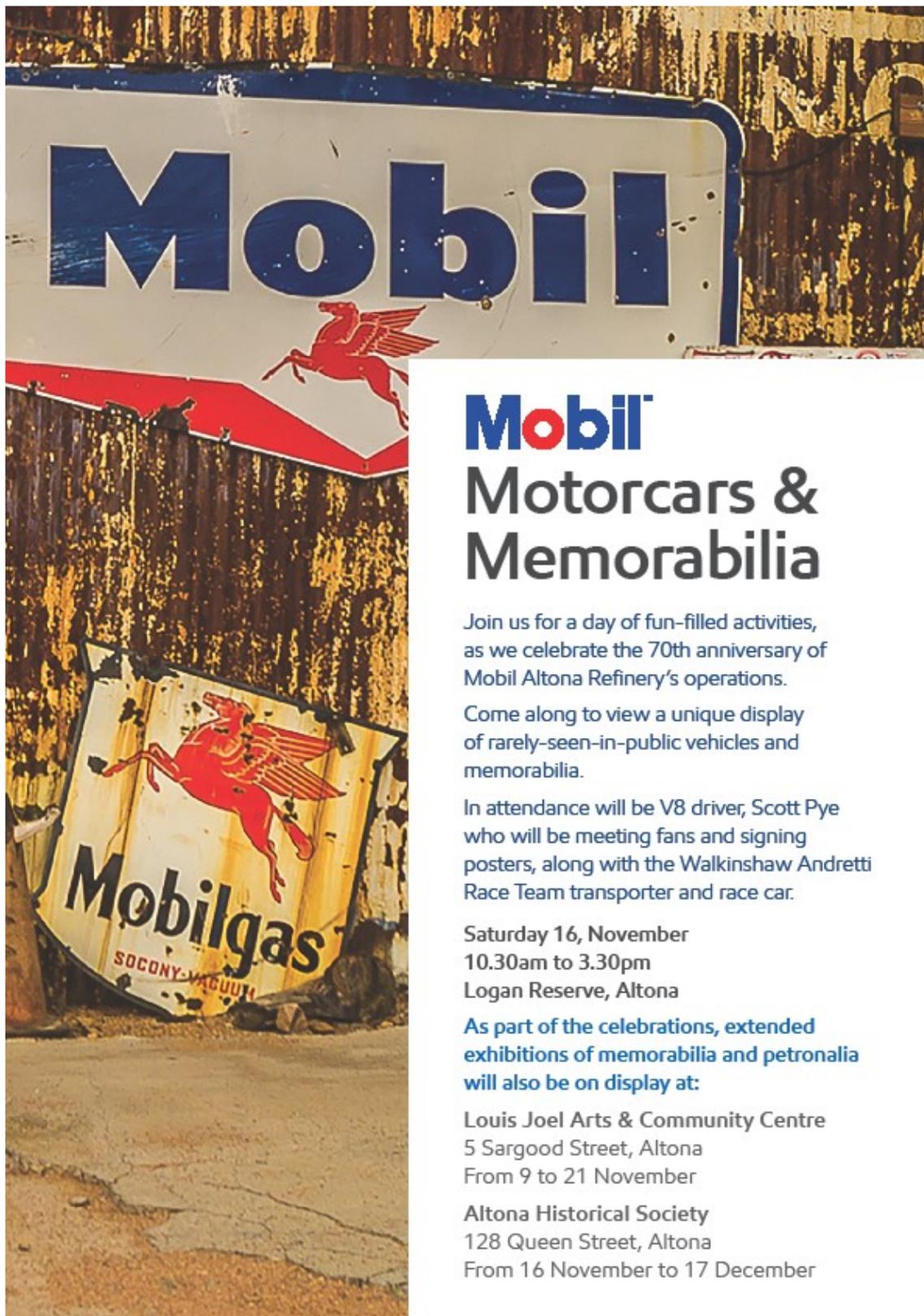
Student Achievements

AACTA Award for Best Children's Program

A big congratulations to Anna C (Yr. 6A) & the TV Show Inbestigators on the nomination for the Aacta (Australian Academy Cinema Television Arts Cinema) Award for Best Children's program - what an achievement.

Scouts Award

Congratulations to Bridie M, 5/6A, who has earned the Grey Wolf. This a milestone in a youth member's Scouting journey. Well done Bridie!



Mobil Motorcars & Memorabilia

Join us for a day of fun-filled activities, as we celebrate the 70th anniversary of Mobil Altona Refinery's operations.

Come along to view a unique display of rarely-seen-in-public vehicles and memorabilia.

In attendance will be V8 driver, Scott Pye who will be meeting fans and signing posters, along with the Walkinshaw Andretti Race Team transporter and race car.

Saturday 16, November
10.30am to 3.30pm
Logan Reserve, Altona

As part of the celebrations, extended exhibitions of memorabilia and petronalia will also be on display at:

Louis Joel Arts & Community Centre
5 Sargood Street, Altona
From 9 to 21 November

Altona Historical Society
128 Queen Street, Altona
From 16 November to 17 December



CAROLS AT THE SUBSTATION

THE SUBSTATION

1 Market Street, Newport

Melway Ref: 55 K5



Sunday 15 December 7-00pm to 8-30pm

Tickets on sale at nffc.org.au

**Newport Carols Orchestra
Led by Michael Stewart**



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