



23 March 2016

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COMING EVENTS

March

Thu	24	Dance Fever Celebrations & Cross Country
Thu	24	Last Day Term 1
Fri	25	Good Friday Public Holiday

April

Mon	11	First Day Term 2
Tue	12	P&C Meeting (Resource Centre, 7pm)
Fri	22	School ANZAC Day Service (Sports Hall, 9:30am)
Mon	25	ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Dance Fever Celebrations



and Cross Country

TOMORROW

Thursday

24th March

Parents & Friends welcome ☺

From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Care Givers

On Monday our school celebrated Australia's cultural diversity with a special assembly. Led by our students who have now made Australia their home, the central message for Harmony Day is that 'everyone belongs', reinforcing the importance of inclusiveness to all Australians. Students from Harristown State High School were special guests entertaining the students and staff with a wonderful choir and drum band.



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Our proud **student council representatives** were presented with their badges and hats recently on assembly. I know they are looking forward to taking their class' views and ideas to council meetings and making a real difference in the school community.



We are looking forward to our **cross country tomorrow** and **Dance Fever finale**. What a great way to finish the school term!

Term one has seen a great start to our school year at Newtown. Thank you to our fantastic staff and wonderful students who have worked so hard in teaching and learning. My best wishes for a happy and restful holiday with your family and friends. We look forward to another great term in term two. School will resume on Monday, 11th April.

Kind regards
Donna Gurr, Acting Principal.

Update

Health Plans

Asthma Plans

Plans

- Asthma
- Epilepsy
- Diabetes

Have you updated your child's medical plan in the last 6 months?

If not, can you please make an appointment with your doctor to have the plan revised and drop it off to school.

If you have any concerns please come and see me at the Whole School Support hub on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

Sharyn Rummell - Head of Special Educational Services

Vacation Care

Don't forget Vacation Care is open from **6am – 6pm** Monday to Friday during the holiday period. For more information, please call 4614 5718 or 0428 502 967.

Please also see our inserts in today's newsletter to see what fabulous things we're doing over the holidays!

Get Microsoft Office 2016 free of charge

Did you know your child can get Microsoft Office 2016 free of charge, just for being a student at Newtown State School? All you need is your child's school email address to sign in.

To help prepare your child for success this academic year, the Department of Education and Training has teamed up with Microsoft to provide free Office 2016 to every Queensland state school student. With Office 2016, your child will have access to the latest version of Word for writing, Excel for spreadsheets, PowerPoint for presentations, OneNote for organisation and notetaking, and much more.

You can install a complete version of the latest Microsoft Office on up to five compatible PCs and Macs, five tablets and five smartphones. Your Office subscription lasts for as long as your child is a state school student.

Ask your child to follow these simple steps to get Office:

- For PC and Mac, visit portal.office.com, login using your school email address, click through to install and follow the onscreen process.
- For tablets and smartphones, download from your app store and sign in with your school email address.

Visit www.education.qld.gov.au/office2016 for instructions on how to download and install Office 2016 to your personal home computers. If you have any trouble, contact Mrs Judd on 4614 5777.

Positive Behaviour for Learning News

Top 3 sit on the Golden Chair

Each week at Friday curriculum parades, teachers award a certificate for literacy, numeracy, science and student of the week. The student of the week award goes to the student with exemplary behaviour, attitude and work ethics. They receive the award for safety, respect or responsibility. The student of the week then has the chance to sit on the golden chair on Monday parade; determined by a simple draw. Their photo is proudly displayed on the honour board for that week.

This week the PBL lesson focus is a focus on being on task and doing our best. The children will discuss what it means to try our best and what it feels like when we achieve tasks to the best of our ability. Students will engage in role play activities to practice being on task and trying their best in a range of school activities such as reading quietly, working in a group to complete a science experiment and playing a game during a PE lesson.

This can be promoted at home by encouraging children to:

- Reminding your child to be on task and try their best when completing homework, including reading.
- When playing a board game, encourage your child to finish the game and keep trying, even if they are not winning.
- Complete jobs to the best of their ability and without getting distracted. (eg. cleaning their room)

Students looked at this rule last week, but in this week's lesson they will use role play to practice real life scenarios.

Learning Club Recommencing Soon – We Need YOUR Help!

After a successful year with our Learning Club last year, we're preparing to kick off again for this year early in Term 2. Our hope, this year, is to be able to help even more children in our school community, but we need YOUR help to do so. The one thing we REALLY need are more people willing to be tutors! As a tutor, your role is to work with one or two children, helping them with their homework and in areas they might find a bit tough. We provide you with training and are there each week to help and support you! If you are interested in getting involved, speak to our Chaplain, Andrew Bell, leave a message at the office for him to contact you or email him on abell168@eq.edu.au.

Dance Fever Presentation



Date: Thursday 24 March, 2016

Place: School Sports Hall

Times

9.15-9.45: 4M and 4W

9.45-10.00: Hip Hop Showdance Group
(from Yrs 4,5,6)

10.00-10.30: 5R and 4/5R

10.30-11.00: 6B and 6J

11.00-11.30: Morning Tea


11.30-11.50: 1R, 1H, 1S

11.50-12.10: 2B, 2R and 2s from 2/3S

12.10-12.30: 3BA, 3B and 3s from 2/3S

12.30-12.50: Preps and Prep/1H

CROSS COUNTRY



Thursday 24 March 2016

Parents, guardians and grandparents are welcome to come along and encourage the children in the Cross Country

JUNIOR CROSS COUNTRY
at School (Born 2011-2008), 9.30am

Girls 5yrs, then Boys 5yrs
Girls 6yrs, then Boys 6yrs
Girls 7yrs, then Boys 7yrs
Girls 8yrs, then Boys 8yrs

SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY
at School (Born 2007-2004), 11.30pm

Junior Girls (9-10yrs) two lap
Junior Boys (9-10yrs) two lap
Senior Girls (11-12yrs) four laps
Senior Boys (11-12yrs) four laps

Junior & Senior Presentations at 12.40pm

Change of Details



Have you changed your **name, address or phone numbers**? Please help us keep your child safe by updating your details at the office. Just call 46145777 and the ladies will help you.

Newtown State School

P&C News

23 March 2016

The P&C NEXT GENERAL MEETING will be held Tuesday 12 April at 7pm in the Resource Centre!

Wow! How quickly this term has flown by! The P&C have had a very successful term, kicking off with the movie night and followed by the fantastic fete! A big thank you to everyone who has made this term amazing. As a P&C we wish you all a safe and happy break ahead!

As a thank you for all the support we have already received, the P&C will have a special guest at school on THURSDAY at 11am to see the students – parents, please feel free to join us at this time and don't forget your CAMERA!

Fundraising - Term 1 fundraising will be going towards the end of term P&C gift. This excludes fete monies which will go towards school playground upgrades and the Easter Raffle which will go towards the Literacy program! We are looking for suggestions from school staff, families and students as to what is required to move our school forward.

Suggestions so far:

- Ventilation/cooling for school hall
- Sports equipment for lunch time play

If you think either of these are a good idea, or you have your own idea, please let us know by email, pandc@newtownss.eq.edu.au or pass the idea onto your class teacher.

Election Day

Thank you to all the helpers and bakers who made this day so successful! It was very busy and great to be amongst our extended community. The funds raised from the raffle and cake stall on the day will go towards the literacy program and the funds raised from the BBQ will go towards the P&C end of year book gift. Final figures will be confirmed after Easter.



Tuckshop

Tuckshop is open tomorrow, from 8:30am to 1:30pm.

Tomorrow, 24 March, for the Dance Fever



Celebration Day and the Cross Country, there will be a **Meal Deal** of Hotdog with Sauce and a choice of drink for \$5.

This deal **does include slushies.**

There will also be Fizzers, Chupa Chups and Freddo Frogs for 50c each.

This meal deal is available to students and parents and all orders MUST be received by 9:15am.

Slushee Special for tomorrow – **\$2 each.**

As tomorrow is the last day of term, the usual menu is quite limited, so please check the board at Tuckshop when ordering.

Volunteer Helpers needed for tomorrow.

If you can assist, please contact Toni at the Tuckshop or on 0432 617 535.

Uniform Shop

For Term 2 we are only open Tuesday morning from 8:30am to 9:30am. Uniform Shop orders can also be left at the office, correct change required. EFTPOS will be available in the Uniform Shop from the first day of Term 2 and we will also still accept cash.

Thank you to the families who have donated second hand items to the Uniform Shop. We really appreciate it! If you have any items of Newtown School Uniform your child has outgrown, please consider donating them to the Uniform Shop.

Recycling



Recycling is on Tuesday mornings outside the Uniform Shop.




Please bring your papers and cans for recycling. When you bring aluminum cans for recycling, you will receive 1 ticket into the end of term draw. When you bring paper (newspaper, junk mail, magazines etc) you also receive 1 ticket in the end of term draw.

Prize Winners for Term 1 were Erica 2/3S and Thomas 3B. **Congratulations** to both these students who received a DVD pack kindly donated by Chris Cox.

The **Winner** of the **Easter Basket** held on Election Day was Peter Aylward. *Congratulations Peter!*

Happy Holidays





Newtown Vacation Care Program Prep-3

<p>MONDAY 28th</p> <p>PUBLIC HOLIDAY Centre e closed</p> 	<p>TUESDAY 29th</p> <p>Laser Tag Incursion: \$10.00 Time: 8am-12pm Golf Frisbee * *</p>  <p>Menu: Spag Bog</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 30th</p> <p>Music Man Incursion: \$12.00 Time: From 11.30pm (This incursion is capped please register your child for this incursion) Flying school Clay sculptures</p> <p>Menu: Tossed Chicken salad</p>	<p>THURSDAY 31st</p> <p>Swimming Incursion: \$5.00 Time: 2-4pm</p>  <p>photo puzzle shrinkie dinks Menu: Hot Dogs</p>	<p>FRIDAY 1st</p> <p>Teddy Bears picnic Paper plate masks Friendship bracelets</p>  <p>Menu: Fried Rice</p>
<p>MONDAY 4TH</p> <p>Bubble day Bowl bubbles Bubble fight Giant bubbles</p>  <p>Menu: Basil Pesto Chicken Pasta</p>	<p>TUESDAY 5TH</p> <p>Fossil hunting Treasure tank water play Frozen animal rescue</p> <p>Menu: Salad Rolls</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 6TH</p> <p>Go karts Incursion: \$12.00 Time: 9am-12pm Autumn picture rubbing</p>  <p>Menu: Pies & Sausage rolls</p>	<p>THURSDAY 7TH</p> <p>HOLIDAY SHOW</p>	<p>FRIDAY 8TH</p> <p>Nature Day Magnet fishing Leaf smash pictures Leaf threading</p>  <p>Menu: Fruit Salad w/ Custard</p>

For More Information/Bookings Call Dee: 0428502967

Vacation Care 28th March -8th April 2016

Gr 4-8

<p>MONDAY 28th</p> <p>Easter Monday Public Holidays Centre Closed</p> 	<p>TUESDAY 29th</p> <p>Incursion: Laser tag Time: 12pm-4pm Cost: \$10.00</p>  <p>Capture The Flag</p> <p>Menu: Spag Bog</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 30th</p> <p>Incursion: Music Man Time: from 11:30 pm Cost: \$12.00 (This incursion is capped. Please register your child for this incursion)</p> <p>Cards & Board Games</p> <p>Menu: Tossed Chicken Salad</p>	<p>THURSDAY 31st</p> <p>Incursion: Swimming Time: 12:00pm-2:00pm Cost: \$5.00</p>  <p>Nail Varnish Magnets</p> <p>Menu: Hot Dogs</p>	<p>FRIDAY 1st</p> <p>Glow in The Dark Activity day! (Includes making glow in the dark paint & Slime) (Jordan) (S) 17.12.15</p>  <p>Menu: Fried Rice</p>
<p>MONDAY 4th</p> <p>Messy Science Day! (Includes activity such as making magnetic slime and making plastic)</p>  <p>Menu: Basil Pesto Chicken Pasta</p>	<p>TUESDAY 5th</p> <p>Incursion: Swimming Time: 12-2pm Cost: \$5.00</p>  <p>Group Games in Hall Menu: Salad Rolls</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 6th</p> <p>Incursion: Go Karts Time: 12:00-3:00pm Cost: \$12.00</p>  <p>Movies & Computer Lab</p> <p>Menu: Pies & Sausage Rolls</p>	<p>THURSDAY 7th</p> <p>Toowoomba Show Holiday Centre Closed</p>	<p>FRIDAY 8th</p> <p>Sustainable Craft Day! (includes making CD case memory boxes)</p>  <p>Menu: Fresh Fruit Salad w/ Custard</p>

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