



14 September 2016

No 29

### COMING EVENTS

#### Sep

Thu	15	TYME Music Festival (USQ)
Fri	16	<b>P-3 Sports Day &amp; Last Day of Term 3</b>

#### Oct

Mon	3	Public Holiday
Tue	4	<b>First Day of Term 4</b>
Tue	4	Swimming Season Commences
Fri	7	<b>Friday Afternoon Sport Commences</b>
Mon 10 – Fri 14		Year 6 Camp to Tallebudgera
Tue	11	<b>P&amp;C Meeting (Resource Centre, 7pm)</b>
Mon	17	Pupil Free Day (Students do not attend)

## P-3 Sports Day



**P-3 Sports Day**  
*This Friday*  
9 – 11am

*All parents and carers are very welcome ☺*

### From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Carers



The inclement weather last Friday didn't dampen the brightness of the melodies performed by our instrumental and choir students whilst we sipped tea and devoured scrumptious delights during our annual **Morning Tea in the Flowers**. Those in attendance also marvelled at the creations in our Art Exhibition in the hall and were able to purchase a bespoke masterpiece! **Many thanks to the staff, students and families, as well as our P&C for making this delightful event possible.**

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Earlier that morning, I welcomed **Dennis Yarrington**, President of the Australian Primary Principals Association, to Newtown State School. During his brief visit, Dennis chatted with staff and students, visited classrooms and heard all about the range of experiences available to students at Newtown State School. He appreciated the opportunity to renew the contact with the real practice and situations of primary schools. He presented a complimentary copy of *Black Sunday* to 5R for all to enjoy!



On Monday's parade, **Josh Arnold** presented the YouTube clip of our talented students performing '**Newtown Neighbourhood**' (check it out for yourself!) and we were treated to a live 'acapella' version. Josh and these students serve as a wonderful inspiration of what can be achieved when you work together and build upon your strengths. *Congratulations to all involved.*

Best wishes to the Newtown State School concert band as they participate at Today's Youth in Music Education (**TYME**) Festival at USQ on Thursday and to our little sports stars as they demonstrate their sporting prowess this Friday at the **Prep – Year 3 Sports Day**.

We have much to celebrate at Newtown State School and there is an immense amount of pride evident in what our students achieve. All of the opportunities on offer promote all-round development and serve well in strengthening our connections both within and outside our school community.

As this is the last newsletter for the term, **I'd like to wish everyone a lovely spring break.**

Term three concludes this Friday 16 September. Term four commences **Tuesday 4 October**. Please note that Monday 17 October is a student free day.

Regards

**Tania Angus, Acting Principal**



**Sienna (1H) chose to have lunch with the Principal as her Gotcha Reward!**

### **PBL**

This week the **PBL lesson focus** is being responsible for our own belongings, including hats, lunch boxes and school bags. This behaviour can be promoted at home by encouraging students to be responsible for their belongings by:

- Organising school materials when arriving at home: lunch box out of bags, homework on the table
- Looking after homework books and readers while they are at home
- Checking school bags each morning to ensure they have everything they need, including hat, lunch box, jumper, homework
- Keeping a tidy desk tray

This is important because at the end of term, lots of lost property is around the school and also students may have run out of materials for school work sooner than expected.



### **BEDAZZLED NUMBER ONE WINNERS!**

The *bedazzled number 1* this week was awarded to **4/5R** for the cleanest classroom across the week!

### **LOST PROPERTY**

There is a significant amount of lost property in the 'wheelie bin' in the foyer of the administration building. Please check to see if any items belong to your family. Any lost property remaining at the end of the term will be donated to the uniform shop for sale as second-hand items.

## LITERACY PROGRAM BOOST COURTESY OF P&C

The Father's Day Stall raised \$369.52 which has been donated to the school to support our literacy programs. **Thanks to our fabulous P&C!!!**

## CURRICULUM PARADES

Curriculum Parades will not be held this week.

## DEPARTING?

It would be greatly appreciated if you could please let the school office know if you are intending on departing Newtown State School at the end of this term/year.

## Celebrate Disability Action Week — 11 to 17 September

With 1 in 5 Queenslanders having a disability, it touches the lives of most people in some way. Newtown State School is committed to ensuring all staff and students with a disability are included and supported to contribute in a meaningful way. Staff and students with disabilities can accomplish so much more every day when given the choice and support to do so. This year's [Disability Action Week](#) theme 'Inclusion: it's a game changer' aims to empower people with a disability and improve access and inclusion in all levels of sport and throughout the wider community.

### Community Expo Prize Draw

- 70 prizes
- 27 Parent teacher passports – handed in – many families are receiving 3 or 4 prizes
- Prizes sent home today – Smiggles bags, sunglasses, Wendy's ice-cream shop \$10 voucher, Coffee Club vouchers, \$10 Woolworths vouchers, Cracker Jack chicken vouchers
- **2017 Community Expo Prizes** to be in the draw you must: attend your child's parent teacher interview and engage with 5 service providers



## P-3 Sports Day

9 – 11am  
this Friday

**16 September**

Albert St Oval

*Children aren't required to wear house colours, but don't forget to bring **hats & water bottles.***

**All Parents and Carers are very welcome.**

## Swimming Lessons



Swimming lessons will commence for **Prep to Year 6 first week back in Term 4**, weather permitting. All students are required to participate in the swimming program. Students will need to have a pair of togs, towel, swim shirt and a swimming cap (named please). Caps (house colours) can be purchased at the Office or Uniform Shop.

Regards,  
**Dave Ragh (PE Teacher)**

## Chaplain's Chat!

Each and every day, life is full of a range of things that we experience. Most of what we hear and see around us, particularly through the media and social media, tends to focus on the negative. The nightly news is the perfect example – if there is a good news story, it's typically the last item in the 30 minute program. It can be easy to get weighed down, negative and struggle with everything that we go through. Experts actually say that it is quite straightforward to change our thinking. It is as simple as listing the good things from the day, even as few as three, each night just before going to bed. By doing it just before going to bed, it helps to reset your brain as you head into sleep and this sets you up for a positive start, mentally, to the new day. Most people start with three, but when you do it every day, the list of things to be grateful for quickly becomes much longer.

So, this week, each night before going to bed, what are three things from your day you can be thankful for?

**Andrew Bell (Chaplain)**

Work Days and Contact Information

Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Newtown.

Please call the main office on 4614 5777, or email Andrew: [abell168@eq.edu.au](mailto:abell168@eq.edu.au).

# Newtown State School P&C News

14 September 2016

## P&C Contact Details:

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Our Next P&C Meeting will be Tuesday 11 October, 7pm in the Resource Centre.



## Morning Tea in the Flowers

A Big Thank You to everyone who attended, assisted and donated to our Morning Tea in the Flowers last Friday. Thank you for supporting our Instrumental Music Program.

## Recycling



Thankyou to all those children who participated in the individual recycling competition. The winner of Term 3's prize of 2 Movie Tickets is **Jeremy C** of **4W!** Congratulations Jeremy!

This term we also ran a class recycling prize and we have had a few classes participating which is great to see. **The winner of this term's class prize is 1R!** Congratulations 1R! 1R will be enjoying an iceblock for each class member (and Mrs Richards) this week. You could be enjoying an iceblock next term if your class participates in Term 4's recycling program! The prize for next term's individual prize is still being determined but the class prize will again be an iceblock for each class member for the winning class. We will be recycling on the first day of Term 4, which is Tuesday 4th October. Remember, you get one ticket for paper (newspaper, catalogues, junkmail or magazines, we cannot recycle cardboard through our program) and one ticket for aluminium cans.

## Uniform Shop

From next term we will be opening both **Tuesday and Thursday mornings** from 8:30am - 9:30am. We will be open the first day of term, 4th October! We take cash or EFTPOS (25c surcharge for EFTPOS). Orders can be placed at the school office outside of these times, however cash can only be accepted and exact change is appreciated as the office does not keep change.

We also stock **swimming caps for \$3!** Swimming will be starting again in the first week of term so get your swimming cap now! Swimming

Caps can be purchased at the school office also.



**Thankyou** to our most valuable resource - our volunteers  
Thankyou to our volunteers who have helped so far in our Uniform Shop, Tuckshop and on our various stalls (Mothers' Day, Fathers Day, etc)  
**We really appreciate your time.**

If you would like to become a volunteer, please see Sabrina in the Uniform Shop on Tuesdays or Toni at Tuckshop.

## Outside School Hours Care

What to do with your children on **Pupil Free Days???**

We are open from 6am - 6pm Pupil Free Days, so let them come and enjoy a day with friends in a fun, safe, supervised environment.

Contact Dee on:  
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## TOOWOOMBA CITY LIBRARY

	BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL	
<b>Cosplay workshop</b> Want to get into cosplay but don't know where to start? Join cosplayer Libjumper for this hands on cosplay workshop. 12+ years.	Monday 19 Sept	1pm – 3pm
<b>Comic Con: pop culture festival</b> Toowoomba's first all-ages comic convention. Comics, cosplay, anime, console gaming, tabletop gaming, original artwork, trading cards, comic creators and celebrity guests! Events include: • Special guest comic illustrators and cosplayers • Anime Lab • Kaboom Comics! And Neo Tokyo pop-up shops • Anime trivia competition • Pop culture markets • Cosplay creation demonstrations • Kids craft station • QR code scavenger hunt • Free face painting for kids • Gaming zone (console, tabletop gaming demonstrations). All ages.	Saturday 24 Sept	9.30am – 4pm
<b>Author event: Tommy Bell, Bushranger.</b> Join Jane Smith, the author of Tommy Bell, Bushranger for exciting bushranger tales and a scavenger hunt through the library.	Monday 26 Sept	10.30am – 12 noon
<b>Make it Move! – Coding with Robots</b> Use colour codes to program your Ozobot robot to navigate the obstacle course and create your own adventure. Free event for school children aged 7 – 12.	Wed 28 Sept	9.30am – 10.30am
<b>Stencil tee's and badges</b> Bring a t-shirt and use stencils to make a sweet superhero design. Make a badge out of comic pages. BYO T-shirt. Ages 6 and up.	Thursday 29 Sept	2pm – 4pm
<b>Superhero craft bar</b> Superhero masks, badges, cubee craft and colouring in sheets. All ages.	Friday 30 Sept	9.30am – 10.30am

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