



23 August 2017

No 27

### COMING EVENTS

#### August

<b>Fri</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Cookie Dough Delivery Day</b>
Mon	28	Book Week Fashion Parade "Escape to Everywhere"
<b>Mon</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Father's Day Stall Commences (Before &amp; After School)</b>
Tue	29	Playgroup @ OSHC Hall (8:45 – 11am)
<b>Thu</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Guest Poet Visiting Year 3 &amp; 5</b>

#### September

Fri	1	Last Day for Father's Day Stall
<b>Fri</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Father's Day Breakfast</b>
Tue	5	Parent Teacher Interviews/Community Expo, 3:20 – 7pm
<b>Fri</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Morning Tea in the Flowers (10:30-11:30am)</b>
Fri	15	Prep – Yr 3 Sports Day

#### October

Mon	2	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday (Students do not attend)
<b>Tue</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>First Day of Term 4</b>

## Father's Day Stall

All Next Week



8:30 – 8:45am

3 – 3:15pm

Uniform Shop, through the  
School Banking windows

### From the Principal...

Dear Parents/Carers

On Sunday, our choir joined with those from 19 other schools to form a mass choir to perform at the Languages and Cultural Festival. Led by Josh Arnold, they performed with great enthusiasm and represented our school beautifully. You can view the video of their rehearsal on YouTube (**Toowoomba Choir at the Empire Theatre**). *Many thanks to Mrs Trish Wilson for preparing the students and organising this wonderful opportunity for them. Thanks also to parents and carers for supporting their attendance.*

This Sunday, a team of Newtown State School students will participate in **Opti-Minds** to creatively use their problem solving skills in a science and engineering challenge. Facilitated by Mrs Catherine Roche-Kelly, the team has been going over to Wilsonton State High School each week for coaching and preparation. *We wish them all the best.*



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On Assembly on Monday morning I spoke with students about Newtown State School being a **White Ribbon school** now that we have completed the *Breaking the Silence* schools program. Students identified the white ribbon symbol and its focus on raising awareness of domestic violence against women. At the heart of White Ribbon is **respectful relationships** and it is this aspect that we wish to promote with our students; both in terms of what they demonstrate towards others and what they experience, as everyone has a right to feel safe and cared for. From time to time, our White Ribbon Team will be organising some activities to continue to raise awareness of the White Ribbon initiative so that we continue to develop our understandings of what respectful relationships look like.

**Congratulations** to those students who received an 'A' for behaviour on their report card in Semester One. They should have received a card to say 'thank-you' for following the school expectations of being safe, respectful and responsible. They deserve to be very proud of this accomplishment.

I'm very much looking forward to celebrating Book Week next week with our **Book Week fashion parade on Monday**. I can't wait to see the costumes!

Kind Regards  
**Tania Angus**, *Principal*.

#### **CHAPLAINCY COMMITTEE**

Toowoomba Central Local Chaplaincy Committee (LCC) is seeking new committee members. The role of the LCC is to oversee and develop the Chaplaincy service at Newtown State School and to assist our Chaplain, Andrew Bell. The role of LCC is to help with the strategic planning, finances and fundraising, communication, assisting in activities and events. School Chaplains support children in our school as they navigate the complex and sometimes difficult situations they face in life and school. Chaplains run programs to assist students in building resilience, dealing with issues such as bullying, family breakdown, grief and loss

and many more. Chaplains spend time with students in a range of ways from friendly presence in the playground, support in the classroom, or one-on-one conversations that deal with specific issues for students. If you would be interested in joining the committee, please contact Andrew via the school office.

#### **ANNUAL SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY**

The annual School Opinion Survey is open online. All families and school staff are invited to take part and year five and six students will complete the survey at school. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well and how this school can improve. Online access details for the Parent/Caregiver Survey have been sent home with students. Parents/caregivers may arrange for online access at the school if it is unavailable at home. The survey closes this Friday 25 August and the data is shared with schools later in the year.

#### **PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 5th September from **3:20 – 7:00pm**, in conjunction with our **Community Health and Wellbeing Expo**. To book a time to meet with your child's teacher, please follow the directions for online booking which will be sent home soon with students. This is a wonderful opportunity to discuss your child's progress and build the home-school partnership to support your child/ren's learning. If you need to see a teacher on any matter on other occasions, please make an appointment for a mutually convenient time through the school office.

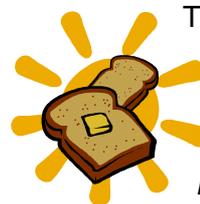
#### **BEDAZZLED NUMBER 1!**

The Bedazzled Number 1 this week was awarded to the class who has been noticed for their politeness. **Congratulations to 5/6B** who were awarded the bedazzled number one for demonstrating the most improvement in this area. The challenge for next week is around wearing the school uniform.

#### **LOST PROPERTY IS OVERFLOWING!!!!**

Please check our "Lost and Found" Bin for any lost items of clothing.

#### **FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST INVITATION**



To celebrate Father's Day, we are hosting a special breakfast for fathers and grandfathers on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 7:30am in the Sports Hall.**

*Please remember to RSVP by Tuesday 29 August, indicating the number of adults and children attending (for catering purposes).*

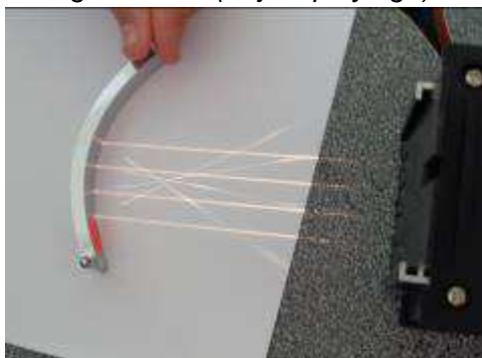
## Year Five Fun!

38 students participated in a **PCYC Bike Safety** refresher course on Monday, with almost **PERFECT** behaviour and manners by all involved. CJ and Michael reminded them of their hand signals and rules when riding on the road and how to remember the jingle for the rules. We also had two students learn to ride a bike for the first time—all in a day's work at Newtown State School!

We also had some teachers from Wilsonton State High School come to involve us in some activities for **Science Week** which was last week. The students explored how we can change how light travels by using reflection (bouncing light off a shiny object/surface) and refraction (bending of light). They found out that white light is actually made up of all the rainbow colours, and if you split it, you can see them all. They also tried using a Spectrometer!!



Teagan, Jett, Summer and Juliana exploring how light travels (*or just playing?*)



Using concave and convex mirrors to test how light travels

Not only that, but some students went to **West Zone Athletics** and others to '**Oliver**' the Musical. What a great week to be a Newtown student. *Thankyou to all those wonderful people who helped organise these things!* 😊

## Oliver Excursion

Last Thursday, **6J, 5/6B** and the **Year 5 choir members** went to the Empire Theatre. We saw Fairholme College and Toowoomba Grammar School performing their show which was called 'Oliver'. They performed the music and acting together. The parts I liked best were when some of the Fairholme girls wore gowns and came out onto the stage during the acting parts. At the end of the day everyone was tired but had lots of fun watching 'Oliver'. I also enjoyed the show because I learned some interesting facts about the past in England. ***Thank you to the teachers for organising the trip and to Toowoomba Regional Council and the Empire Theatre for funding our tickets.***

By Lena N

## Positive Behaviour for Learning News

**This week the PBL lesson focus** is on bullying. In the final of a 4 part series, this week students clarify what is minor and what is major. Sometimes things just need an "Oh well" response and other times they need a "Go tell" response. It's important for students to know and practice the difference. For more information, parents are able to view the Managing Bullying Policy and the Flow Chart from the document section of the school website.

**NDIS PARENT INFORMATION SESSION**

Parent Information Session

**When:** Wednesday 30th August

**Where:** Library Classroom - 2.30pm

**Why:** Have you made contact with NDIS?  
Is your child eligible for an NDIS package?

**ndis** 1800 800 110  
<https://www.ndis.gov.au>

**Enquiries:** Sharyn Rummell  
Head of Special Educational Services  
Support Hub Office



## Parent Teacher Interviews

### An invitation

**To:** All Parents and Care Givers  
**What:** Parent Teacher Interviews  
**When:** Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September  
3:20 - 7:00pm in the Sports Hall

We will be using the PTO booking system again this year. The [link](#) can be found on the Newtown State School website.

Students will receive letters and logon information Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August, enabling you to book interviews from 29<sup>th</sup> August.

*If you have any difficulties, please contact the office for assistance.*

CBCA  
Children's Book Council of Australia  
**Book Week 2017 @**  
Newtown State School



The theme is:  
**'Escape to Everywhere'**

#### **Have you got your costume organised?**

The Book Week fashion parade is on next Monday August 28 at **9am**. The theme is **Escape to Everywhere!**

#### **Have you got your explanation ready?**

Students need to be able to briefly explain how they have come dressed in the theme.

Parents, please help your child rehearse what to say.

*Here's some examples:*

"I am dressed as an astronaut because they get to escape the world. That's how books help me."

"I'm dressed as Rowan from the book Rowan of Rin. It's my favourite book because I feel like I am on the quest with him."



# Scholarship Program

Each \$500 Scholarship will provide students with the following:

- Student Resource Scheme paid for their first year of enrolment at Wilsonton State High School
- One formal uniform (does not include shoes)
- One sports uniform (does not include shoes)
- One polar fleece jumper
- A school back pack
- A stationery pack



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For a Scholarship Package and further details, please contact our school representative.

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# HEARING awareness WEEK

20 – 26<sup>th</sup> August 2017



Hearing is precious and fragile

Have you had your family's hearing tested lately?

**Poor hearing affects student's ability to listen and learn.**



Newtown State School

# P&C News

23 August 2017

**P&C Contact Details:**  
[pandc@newtownss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@newtownss.eq.edu.au)  
Lauren 0409 266 181

**Just a reminder** that **Cookie Dough** can be collected **this Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August**, from the OSHC Hall between **1 and 3pm**.

**Morning Tea in the Flowers** is on: **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September**.



If you're available for baking of goods, donating morning tea items, or volunteering on the day, please contact either **Lauren 0409 266 181**, or, **Toni in the Tuckshop on 0432 617 535**.

## Uniform Shop

- We have lovely WARM Newtown jumpers in stock! Only \$34!  
We also have **handmade scarves** for **only \$5!**
- Uniform Shop is open **Tuesday mornings** only this term from **8:30-9:30am**. EFTPOS is available (25c surcharge applies).
- FOOTBALL SOCKS for interschool sport are available at the office. The price of these will rise to \$9 from Monday 28/8/17.

## LOST and FOUND

It is over half way through the term and our "Lost and Found" bin is **OVERFLOWING!!!!!!!**  
If your child has lost something, could you please come and look through the "Lost and Found" bin.

## TUCKSHOP

- Tuckshop opens **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday**, from 8:30am -1:30pm.  
Please place and pay for all orders **by 9:15am**.



**Do you love to help?**  
**Do you have a few spare hours of a morning to help Toni out in the Tuckshop – any time you are able to give would be truly appreciated ☺**

Toni Gray - Tuckshop Convenor (0432 617 535)

**Slushies are Back!**  
**only \$2 each!**

## Weekly Meal Deal

**\$5.00**

Year 3 – 6 Thursday

Prep – Year 2 Friday

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fried Rice**

with a **choice of drink**

**Juice** – Apple, Orange or Apple Blackcurrant

**Milk** – Chocolate or Strawberry



## Father's Day Stall

**– next week!!**

Our Father's Day Stall will be held from **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 1<sup>st</sup>**

**September** at the Uniform Shop, through the School Banking windows.

We will open from **8:30-8:45am** each morning before school and **3 to 3:15pm** after school.

We have a wonderful selection of gifts, including the ever popular "Dad" mug, priced at only \$5!

We also have gifts for Grandads as well!

**Thanks to our wonderful volunteers** who have put up their hand to man the stall!

## RECYCLING

Every Tuesday morning from 8:15 - 8:45am outside the Uniform Shop. We can recycle paper (**not cardboard**) and aluminium cans (**crushed**). Each child who brings in paper or cans receives a ticket into the individual prize draw!

The **prize** for the **class competition** is a small packet of chips for each child in the winning class!

The **individual prize** for this term is a **2 movie pack**, containing The Angry Birds Movie and Tinkerbell and the Legend of the Neverbeast Movie!

Please come and participate and bring in your paper and aluminium cans for recycling!

**Could YOU be this term's winner?**

## OSHC

Don't forget that **we take enrolments for children from other schools as well**. So let all your friends know to come and join in the FUN at **Newtown** Outside School Hours Care for Vacation Care.

For further information, we can be contacted on:

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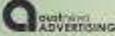
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