Monday
18 August, 2014
DIARY DATES
August
18-22 Book Week & Read-a-thon
19 Book Week Dress Up Day
19 Shine - Heat 2
20-22 Year 5 Camp
21 Disco - Year 6&7
25-29 Evacuation Drill
26 Shine - Heat 3
September
2 Shine - Heat 4
2 Year 1 excursion
2 Year 6/7 LOTE excursion
5 Teacher Aides’ Day
8 Year 2 excursion
9 Shine - Heat 5
10 P&C Meeting
19 Last day of Term 3
October
8 P-Yr 3 Brave Heart’s Program
8 P&C Meeting
REMINDERS
READING CLUB
Tuesday morning 8.15 am in Library.
STUDENT BANKING
WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR SOME PERMANENT OR CASUAL HELPERS!
Banking this Friday 22 August outside the Library.

Social Skills
This week’s Social Skill is “Arrive Safe Leave Safe”. Thank you to Mr Rafter’s class for presenting the lesson on assembly this week. For more information please see the back page. Reminder: Hawthorne Street drop off is 2 minute parking only and Heal Street is 1 hour parking between the hours of 8.00 am and 3.30 pm on school days. Thank you for being patient.

Office and School Hours
Our office is attended from 8 am to 3.30 pm each day. Students should arrive at school close to 8.30 am when supervision begins. There have been a few instances this term where children have not been picked up by the 3.20 pm bell and have been waiting at the office to be collected. We understand that there may be unforeseen circumstances that may cause you to run late so please contact the office and advise us of your delay. We are fortunate to have Before and After School Care – Jabiru – on our school grounds and I would encourage you to contact them on 3254 1210 to ensure your children are safe before and after school.

Book Week
As most of you would be aware, Book Week starts today and we have the Book Week Dress Up Day Tuesday 19 August. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in costume tomorrow and I am sure we will all have a lot of fun. On Wednesday 20 August we have a special guest Author Josh Donellan. He will be here at first break in the Library, so make sure you go and see him. There will also be special Book Week activities in the Library this week.

Thank you to Mrs Hoelzl for organising our book week activities and for making our Library look so wonderful. For more information about the dress up day, please see the back page.

Now Taking Prep Enrolments for 2015
Thank you to all of the parents who have contacted us and have started the process of enrolling their children for 2015. Information about interview dates and the Open Day date and time will be published in the coming weeks.

Keep your eye out for the upcoming information.
Year 5 Camp
Thank you to Ms Fletcher, Mr Davies, Mrs Buckley and Mrs Anderson for looking after the organisation of the Year 5 camp to Emu Gully, which will be taking place this week (Wednesday 20 to Friday 22 August). This is a great leadership experience for our students. Students are required to be at school at 7.30 am on Wednesday morning and parents will be required to pick their children up at 2.45 pm on Friday. A note will be sent home today about the drop off and pick up times. I am sure all students will have a wonderful time.

Homeless Persons Week
A very special thank you to all of our students and families who donated tinned foods for Homeless Persons Week. The New Farm Neighbourhood Centre greatly appreciated our support.

Year 3 Choir Performance
As part of the celebrations to mark the merger of the New Farm Neighbourhood Centre with Community (formerly known as the Red Hill/Paddington Community Centre), the Year 3 Choir has been invited to perform at the Powerhouse this Wednesday, 20 August at 5.45 pm. A note has been sent home with Year 3 students. Good luck to all students involved.

New Shine Dates
We are pleased to announce the upcoming Shine heat dates. All students, staff and parents are welcome to be in the audience at 1.30 pm on Tuesdays. Good luck to everyone involved.

Heat 2 - Tuesday 19 August, Heat 3 - Tuesday, 26 August, Heat 4 - Tuesday 2 September, Heat 5 - Tuesday 9 September

End of Year Events
Planning has already begun for end of year events. Thank you to all of the parents who helped me finalise the best options for these events. Dates as follows:
2 December 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm - Christmas Concert, 4 & 5 December - Swimming Carnival, 8 December 9.30 am - 11 am - Year 6 & Graduation. Further details will be published closer to the dates.

2014 Premier’s Reading Challenge
A reminder that all entry forms for the 2014 Premier’s Reading Challenge are due back by the end of August. Keep up the great reading!

G20 public holiday for Brisbane schools
Friday 14 November is a public holiday for the G20 Summit and our school will be closed for the day. Enjoy this special, one-off break. www.education.qld.gov.au/G20

Lunchtime Disco!
The Community and Charity Leadership group will be hosting lunchtime dances again this term.

The next disco for Term 3 will be for Year 6/7 students, and will be held on Thursday 21 August, at second lunch on the second bell.

Cost is $2 for admission and an icy-pole OR $1 for just admission. There is also a prize for the best dancer, and the person wearing the best dance accessory! So come along, dance your heart out and have FUN!!
Our first banking day at the Library went extremely well with 94 students banking on the day. Well done everyone and look forward to seeing everyone on Friday.

Thank you to our new helpers Jenny and Nicola.

We are still looking for volunteers!
Karen Ridoutt, Teniell Jocumsen and Rachel Kendrick
ridoutt@optusnet.com.au or 0412 004 644

NFSS UNIFORM SHOP UPDATE
As of next term the uniform shop will be opening again in the afternoons, hence we are on the hunt for more volunteers.

We only need your help for about 30 minutes for a morning or afternoon shift, so please come and see myself or Annalisa if you can help. Even if it’s just once or twice a term.

Regards Katherine

After School Sports Activities - Netball Spots Still Available
All of the after school sports activities are going great, with everyone having a lot of fun. There are still spaces available for children in Grades 4-7 for Netball (Monday afternoons). Please call the Office on 3358 7333 to register your child.

CALMER CLUB FOR CALM AND HAPPY KIDS
Every Tuesday lunchtime from 1.30 to 1.50 pm
Children will be learning yoga techniques for healthy and supple bodies, and meditation techniques for healthy minds.

With Mrs Alcorn in the hall. All students from Grade 1 to 7 welcome.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS IN THE LIBRARY AT NFSS

TUCKSHOP NEWS
Tuckshop opens two days a week – Wednesdays and Fridays.

It is advisable to have counter lunch orders in before 9.00 am otherwise we can’t guarantee that we will have all menu choices available. To avoid missing out we recommend that you order on line.

ONLINE ORDERING
We have on-line ordering available for tuckshop. To register go to www.flexischools.com.au. We encourage you to use this website, it is quick and easy and orders can be done in advance to save that rush in the morning.

WEDNESDAY MENU
We have lunch size pizzas and vegetarian pasta available on a Wednesday only. There is Ham & Pineapple ($3.50) or Cheese & Tomato ($3.00) pizzas available. Yoghurt, fruit and drinks are also available. On-line orders close at 8.00 am.

FRIDAY TUCKSHOP
To avoid the long queues on Friday mornings you can order online. Cut off time is 8.00 am on Fridays. If you order over the counter, please have your order in before 9.00 am and make sure you have your child’s name and class clearly marked. All the meals, sandwiches, fruit, boiled eggs and popcorn are made fresh.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - 22 August
Tuckshop - Shirin, Kris Webb & Liza Armstrong
Counter (8.30 - 9.15 am) - Natalie Watson & Gillian Penrose
Baking - Carla Ranson, Susie Levy, Iris Stacey, Nancy Cowell, Sarah Millar & Kara Chudleigh

Thank you to everyone who supports the tuckshop.

Terri-Anne and Jin

SHORT STORY PROJECT
There have been some more fabulous stories coming in this week! There were many sentences that really stood out for their outstanding grammar and use of descriptive words. Here are five more from students across the grades.

“Some ores can be very useful.” (Chester Prep)
“One day the man went for a ride on his horse, when his dog came with a shocking and surprising story.” (Dezina Year 3)
“My hand slips off the Eiffel Tower and I fell into the ocean.” (Desiree Year 3)
“As I laid in bed I heard a screeching sound.” (Nate Year 2)
“I slowly, cautiously open the packet and out pops walking, talking potato chips!” (Elise Year 3)

Each of these stories had a fantastic theme. If writing stories is hard for you, perhaps just notice something interesting that happens to you during the day and start from there. We look forward to reading about it!

Leisa

NEW - REDGUM BOOK CLUB
We are starting a new bookclub with Redgum as well as Scholastic Bookclub. Redgum Bookclub will be one catalogue per term. Ordering is easy - Order and pay online at www.redgumbookclub.com.au, or by phone 1800 803 443. Orders close 1 September. Books will be delivered direct to the school. Get reading and support your school and our talented Australian authors and illustrators. If you have any questions please see Mrs. H. in the library.
Assembly Social Skill Awards
Week 5 - “Do The Right Thing”
Congratulations to the following students:
Year 3 - Ashton, Katelyn, Jude & Desiree
Year 7 - Charlotte

Assembly Student Awards
Congratulations to the following students:
Prep - Sophie & Isaac
Year 1 - Hunter, Sukie, William, Ashwin, Leni & Camille
Year 2 - Mackenzie
Year 3 - Louis
Year 4 - Harper
Year 6 - Natalie, Veronica & Zoe

Social Skills
Arrive Safe
Leave Safe

Focus:
To ensure that students arrive at school safely and travel home safely. This Social Skill reinforces the use of the crossings available, travelling directly to and from school and ensuring safety when using the drop off zone.

Looks Like
• Students going directly home/to school, either walking, riding their bike/scooter or in car
• Wearing helmets with bikes and scooters
• Using crossings correctly
• Supervising siblings
• Concentrating on surroundings
• Waiting inside the school fence

Sounds Like
• Listening to the crossing supervisor
• Listening for traffic

Feels Like
• Being safe
• Being responsible together

BOOK WEEK AUGUST -
DRESS UP DAY
Tuesday 19 August
It's time to start thinking about a costume. Book Week starts Monday 18 August and as part of the celebrations, we are asking children to come dressed up as their favourite book character. You might like to start giving this some thought. A hat or accessories maybe a simple solution. Please no swords, guns or plastic knives as accessories for costumes.

There will be activities every lunch time during Book Week. So head to the Library this week and have some fun!

READ-A-THON
We are also having a Read-a-thon as part of Book Week. Forms have been sent home, but if you need another one, please see the Library or Office.

SWIMMING SEASON 2014/15
The weather is warming up and swim season is just around the corner. Bigfish Littlefish along with some old and some new instructors are back for another season of fun and exciting lessons. We will be running lessons for all ages and abilities every afternoon from 3 pm as well as Saturday mornings.

BOOKING WEEK
Monday 1st of September until Friday 5th of September (bookings taken in pool area) from 3 pm each day. You will need to book in on the day you wish to have lessons. For example if you want lessons on a Monday you will need to come on Monday the 1st of September, if you want lessons on a Wednesday you will need to come on Wednesday the 3rd to make your booking. Payment must be made on booking.

Fees for -: Monday are $130.50 (9 week term), Tuesday- Saturday $145 (10 week term).

Payment options - cash, cheque, debit or credit card. Bookings for Saturday are now open (no bookings on Saturday 6th September). If you have any further questions or are unable to make these booking dates please call Jo Keehan 0414 486767