Monday
17 November , 2014

DIARY DATES

November
17-21 Book Fair
23 Instrumental Music Afternoon
24-28 Year 6/7 Canberra Camp

December
2 End of year Concert
4 Prep-3 Swimming Carnival
5 Yr. 4-7 Swimming Carnival
9 Year 6/7 Graduation Assembly 9.30 am
11 Year 6/7 Graduation dinner
12 Last day of school

REMINDERS

READING CLUB
Wednesday second break
1.30pm in Library.

STUDENT BANKING
Banking will be every Friday from 8am in Library

From the Principal's Desk.....

The first step in the acquisition of wisdom is silence, the second is listening, the third memory, the fourth practice, the fifth teaching others.
Solomon Ibn Gabriol.

Social Skills
This week’s social skills is “I Pull My Own Strings.” This week Mr Wilson and his Year 3/4 students presented the social skills message. This fits within our rule of “Be Responsible”. For more information please see back page.

2015 Student Leadership Selection– The Project Captain speeches will be held in the hall Wed 19 November 2-2.30pm. Following a consultation process our Project Captains will be notified. The newly elected Leaders will be presented to the School Community on the last Assembly 1 December.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM: WOODWIND, BRASS and PERCUSSION. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST 2015.
Students in years 3&4 in 2014 are invited to apply to participate in this program from 2015. The instruments taught in this program are: Flute, Clarinet and Bass Clarinet, Alto Sax, Tenor Sax, Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium and Baritone Horn (mini tuba), Tuba, Bass Guitar (only one student recruited from each year level) and Percussion (note: this is orchestral not drum kit). Information and Nomination forms will be sent home this week.

LOCKDOWN– We will be holding our Lockdown Procedure Drill this week. Teachers will go over all aspects of this drill with the students.

Thank you to all the parents who helped make the 2014 disco such a great night. More than 400 people came along to dance with the stars.

Thanks in particular to:

• Our theming and ticket sales coordinator Kathryn and her helpers Kristine, Melanie and Anna – thanks for making it look great and for tracking down prizes for the kids
• Canteen team Desiré and Liza with helpers on the night Elisa, Helene, Katrina, Tracey, Emmanuelle, Sue and Karen
• Bar team Kris and Rachel plus helpers on the night Annalisa, Rachael, Melissa, Lloyd, Robert, Mark and Sian
• Those who helped with setup and packing up at the end of the night including Dave, Jim, Andrea, Rachael, Kathryn, Paul Jones, Leanne Boschen, Kris and Rachel plus Greg the groundsman
• Ice cream queens Helen and Nicole
• Shawn and Rachael for creating and distributing a great poster
• Tracey for overall coordination of roster, communication and ticketing
• Security team Russell, Bill and Adrian – you guys did a great job and really looked the part
• Ticket and merchandise sales people on the night Kathryn, Mel and Dave and the people who sold tickets after school all week – Jim P with Alex M-S, Zac and Sam P, Jack L
• Money man Jim Medland
• Desiré for providing the water bottles that helped protect our environment
• Tonya Stock for bringing her beautiful juice along
• The school staff who helped – particularly the teachers who helped with supervision to keep everyone safe

The disco is important to bring the whole school community together for a fun night. We also made a small profit which will go towards the tree of life mural.

Thanks everyone for all your help

Judith
BOOKFAIR Starts Next Week November 17th 8.30 – 4pm
4 days only. New books for sale in the library. Prices from $4.
Just in time for Christmas. Excellent quality books under $10. Pay by cash, eftpos, credit cards or cheque. A wholesaler sources books from all over the world for this Bookfair. They are not the books offered by Scholastic Bookclub. So put the dates in your diary, start saving up those chores for the children to do for pocket money, or purchase and put away for Christmas presents. The school receives a very generous commission on all books sold, so your support would be greatly appreciated. Narelle Hoelzl, Teacher Librarian

School Swimming– schedule for the remainder of Term 4 Classes will be swimming in their PE lesson time. Please check your child’s swimming attire to ensure that caps, goggles and sun shirts fit snugly as regular adjusting of these items does take time away from the swimming lesson. Your child’s class swimming below.

Reminder Swim Carnival 4 December Prep-3, 5 December Yrs 4-7.
Thursday 1C, PT, PNJ, P/1M, 2M, 3SR, 3C, 2F
Friday 1S, 3/4W, 6/7A, 6/7B, 5D, 4R, 4/5F.

Bookclubs Scholastic and Redgum
If you order and want the books for Christmas presents, please contact me directly or write a message on the order. I can keep the order aside and phone you when the orders come in. Narelle Hoelzl, Teacher Librarian.

Masterplan -
For the past four years, the P&C and interested members of the New Farm State School community have been working on a masterplan that will future-proof the school for many generations to come. Our approach has included:

- Asphalt resurfacing and new playground in front of the hall (completed)
- New creative arts centre under the hall (currently being constructed)
- Proposed new terraced seating to the netball court and ‘entrance’ to the oval, along with a better link to the Little Farm
- Improved Hawthorn Street entrance
- And of course, the proposed multi-storey classroom building in the prep area.

During the process of the P&C seeking funding for the masterplan, the Queensland Government has opted to support a wider masterplanning exercise for four schools in the Brisbane Central electorate – Brisbane Central State School, Kelvin Grove State College, Windsor State School and New Farm.

We are now working with Government-appointed architects to incorporate our past planning, as well as to identify further areas of improvement. To oversee this process, a reference group has been established comprising representatives from the Department of Education, Training and Employment (DETE), external architects, our principal, a NFSS teacher and the P&C.

To ensure that you have your say on the continuing masterplanning process, DETE has set up a website to capture your feedback: https://www.getinvolved.qld.gov.au/gi/consultation/2300/survey/2200/view.html (note that the closing date is 19 December). Alternatively, please feel free to contact me directly with your thoughts and/or questions and I will raise them at upcoming reference-group meetings.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Kind regards
Fiona Murcott | President
New Farm State School P&C Association

UNIFORM SHOP - URGENT HELP REQUIRED
We are looking for someone to help out in uniform shop for few weeks as Annalisa has to take urgent trip overseas. Time needed would be Wednesday 26th November 8am - 10am and 2.30 pm - 3.30pm
Monday Dec 1st 8am - 10am, Tuesday 2nd December 8 am - 10am, Wed 3rd December both am and pm shifts.
Wednesday Dec 10th both am and pm shifts.
There are also hours in January for 2015 which we will need help for the back to school trade. This is a paid position, please contact Joy Groth on 0419 672 971.
STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS IN THE LIBRARY AT NFSS
We did not have banking on Friday 14 November due to the G20 holiday.
Karen Ridoutt (ridoutt@optusnet.com.au or 0412 004 644, Teniell Jocumsen and Rachel Kendrick

NFSS UNIFORM SHOP UPDATE
Term 4—Wed 8 to 9am Wed 2.30 to 3.30pm
Remember class swimming starts in Term 4, so get your swimming togs and swimming caps from us!
We are looking for volunteers for the afternoon session for about 30 minutes. Even if it’s just once or twice a term. Regards Annalisa

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.

2015 Prep morning tea
Friday 21 November . Time 9.30-11.00am
Students commencing Prep in 2015 have been invited to a morning tea on our oval. We have asked everyone to bring a packed morning tea. Please contact me if you can help. Jo Keehan 0414 486 767

Before School—important information
Students should arrive at school between 8:30 and 8:45am. Students should not arrive before 8:30am. Students arriving at school prior to 8:30am are required to be booked into Jabiru. All students are required to sit under A block until 8:30. When the teacher arrives to supervise, students are able to play on the netball court and fake grass or they can remain seated under A Block. Balls and play equipment should not be cut in the school grounds before school. All students should remain in the A Block and Netball Court area until the bell goes for students to move to class. Students will be able to play soccer on the netball court from 8:30 to 8:45 under staff supervision. No students should be in the Year 1 or memorial areas. These requirements assist us in maintaining student safety before the school day begins.

Master Plan Traffic Survey—Traffic consultants will be undertaking a site visit Thursday 13 November to review current car parking areas, site access etc. The traffic consultant will be setting up traffic survey cameras on Wednesday 19 November which will run from 7-9am and 2-3:30pm for a duration of one (1) day at the following locations:
- Observe vehicle movements at James/Heal St intersection;
- Observe vehicle movements at James/Annie St intersection;
- Observe vehicle movements at Hawthorne St intersection; and
- Observe vehicle movements at Heal St loading area.

Hot Weather— Please take care during the hot weather and remember for students and staff—think carefully about the time you plan outdoor activities, seek shaded areas, wear broadbrim hats, sunscreen, sunglasses and drink plenty of water to stay hydrated.

TUCKSHOP NEWS
Tuckshop opens two days a week - Wednesdays and Fridays
Tuckshop is back to normal this week. Please if you are ordering over the counter have your order in by 9.00am. We are receiving quite a few late orders and we can not guarantee your choice. Please see information below online ordering.

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. On-line orders close at 5.00am for both Wednesday and Friday.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - 21st November
Tuckshop - Lara Ghantous, Fiona Canigilia & Nazia
Counter - Michelle Gerrard & Gillian Penrose
Baking - Sam Bryce, Jocelyn Parry, Sue Fuller, Kirsten Medland, Natalie Watson, Gillian Penrose, Lyn Zollo & Elisa Gambaro
Thank you to everyone who supports the tuckshop.
Terri-Anne & Jin

Year 6/7 Art Mural Project—
Work begin Tuesday 18 November. All classes are invited to the hall to hear an update on the projects leaders’ journey– Thursday 20 November 9-9.30am. All Welcome.

Life Education Van— Wednesday 19 November Year 6 and 7 will attend their sessions with the educators.

Volunteers Morning Tea— Thursday 20 November. Morning tea to say thank you to our wonderful volunteers will be held Thursday 20 November 10.50am to 11.30am in the Library. RSVP to your parent rep or admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au by Thursday 13 November.

Vacancy— School crossing supervisor
A casual position exists for school crossing supervisor at New Farm State School. Wednesdays and Thursdays 8 to 9 am & 3-3.30pm

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Focus:
Students know that they are in charge of the decisions they make and for the consequences that may result from their choices. No-one can make you do what you don’t want to do. You are responsible for “pulling your own strings”.

Looks Like
• Following the school rules
• Students identifying when a situation is leading towards their “strings being pulled”
• Students walking away from situations where a rule may be broken.

Sounds Like
• Saying “no” and giving a reason why
• Happy safe play

Feels Like
• In control of self
• Knowing what’s right and wrong and wanting to make good choices

Jabiru Holiday Program
Xavier and Jake sampled the Jabiru holiday program last week as part of a photo shoot. Look out for posters and fliers next week featuring New Farm State School students.

Instrumental Music and Choir Afternoon
Students in the Instrumental Music Program and year 3 choir would like to invite you to: An afternoon musical soiree showcasing the Junior and Senior Band, various student instrumental music ensembles, the Grade 3 choir, Shine winners, and an awards ceremony to conclude the concert.

Date: Sunday 23 November 2014.
Time: 2.00–3.00 pm.
Where: School Hall.
BYO: Food/Drink to share for afternoon tea.

Attention: Students in the instrumental Program need to arrive at 1.30pm. In order to help set up and warm up. Please notify your ensemble director Miss Jansma or Ms Thacker if this is not possible.

NFSS Swimming Club—
Swimmer of the Week is awarded each week to the swimmer who gains the most points for improvement across all events for the week. The recipient of this award will receive a Speedo swim cap.

Congratulations to the following award winners:
10 November—
Swimmer of the Week: Luca
Most Improved: Phoenix
Swimming Club Trophy and Pizza Night will be held on Monday 1st December 6pm

Please email nfss.swimclub@hotmail.com or phone Kara on 0408017696 for more information.