Monday
23 February , 2015

DIARY DATES

School assembly will be
Friday at 9 am this year in
the Hall. Parents are most
welcome.

February
24    Chinese New Year
25    Met North Swim
27    Clean up Australia for
      Schools
27    City districts AFL trials
      City district Hockey
      Trials

March
6     City Districts rugby
      league trials
7     City Districts netball
      trials
11    P&C Meeting 7.30pm
13    City Districts Soccer
      trials
13    City Districts Touch
      Football trials
18    School Photos
20    Say No to Bullying
      Day (Free Dress Day)
27    Leadership and
      Project Captains
      Presentation
      assembly. 9am in Hall

REMINDERS

STUDENT BANKING
Banking will be on
Fridays outside
the library.
8am—9.30am

From the Principal's Desk……
Commitment leads to action. Action brings your dream closer.
Marcia Weider

This week’s social skill will be presented by Mr. Fitzgerald’s 2F class “Words of
Encouragement”. Mr. Fitzgerald missed last Friday due to wet weather. Ms. Jewell 3JR
will present this week’s social skill “Look Listen Learn”. See back page.

Wet Weather– Thank you to all staff and especially our School Officer Mr. Walls for the
extra work done to ensure the wet weather days went as smoothly as possible. Thank
you for keeping stairwells and toilet areas safe for our staff and students.

Fire Drill– We will be conducting our Fire Drill this week. We conduct this drill every
term as per our procedures policy. Teachers will revise the rules and procedures with
their students to ensure the school assembles on our oval as quickly and orderly as
possible.

Pick up and drop off in Hawthorne Street– Thank you to all parents/carers for the
level of cooperation in using our pick up areas. Please be mindful that the 2 minutes
parking areas should not be used between 2.50pm—3.20pm as this obstructs the flow
of traffic in and out of the pick up areas. Students must remain behind the fenced areas
until the pick up supervisor has called them to the car. Please do not call your children to
the car as this is a very unsafe practice for all our students.

Traffic Speed– Please maintain a minimum speed of less than 10 kilometers per hour in
the Hawthorne Street pick up areas for the safety of all students leaving our school using
the footpaths. Thank you to everyone staggering your arrivals at this time for pick ups it
certainly helps the flow of traffic.

School Crossing Supervisor—We still require applicants for the crossing supervisor.
This crossing will be unmanned some afternoons until the position is filled. School staff
take great care in the supervision of students but being at the crossing is taking them
away from their regular duties.

To apply, contact the office, Elena Anderson on 3358 7333

State Principal Conference– I will be attending the annual Principal Conference
Thursday 26 and Friday 27 February. Thank you to Ms. Cassie Buckley who will be
Acting Principal in my absence.

Year 6 Leaders Day– Thank you to Ms. Jenny O’Neill and Mr. Steve Conde for
coordinating the ‘Character Builders’ program for all year 6 students. Feedback from the
teachers was very good and a great day experience for our Year 6 students.

School Swimming Changes—Please make sure you have returned your written
permission as students are not permitted to swim without permission. Classes will be
swimming in their PE lesson time on the day below.

Swimming Monday: Year 1T, 4R,4/5J, 5D, 5/6W, 6C
Wednesday: Year 1FW, 1G, 2F, 2C, 2/3M, 3JR, 3/4F

New Date - Friday 27 March Leadership Assembly 9am in Hall
Leadership Presentation Assembly Postponed– Unfortunately we have had to postpone our
ceremony for our Leaders and Project Captains to Friday 27 March at 9am in our Hall. Parents
are most welcome to attend. Morning Tea will be held for the Year 6 students and their
parents from 10.00–10.30 am
New class lists for 2015

Prep NO Ek Navarro, Jane O’Hara
Prep w Stephanie Wearne
Prep1/T Julie Turner
1G Michelle Guest
1MS Wendy MacGregor, Fairley Stanley
2 C Garth Coyle
2 F Ron Fitzgerald
2/3 M Wendy Maslen
3 RJ Sue Richards, Brooke Jewell
3/4 F Rachel Fletcher
4 R John Rafter
4/5 J Frankie Jaiyeola
5/6 OW Jenny O’Neill, Brett Wilson
5 D Philip Davies
6 C Steve Conde

Thank you to all staff in the lead up to Day 8 of school. We are pleased to welcome Ms. Michelle Guest teaching Year One this year. Thanks also to the parents and students for your support with the changes to our classes. We hope you settle quickly in your new classes and have a great year. Thanks also to Mr Garth Coyle for relocating your class which is a huge undertaking at this time of the term.

Uniform Shop from Wednesday 18 March (New Time)- From Wednesday 18 March our uniform shop will only be open Wednesday Mornings 8am-9.30am

City Districts Trials- SEEKING NOMINATION TO DISTRICT TRIALS
Students wishing to be considered for City District trials in a sport are welcome to advise Mr Rainbow of their interest. As the dates approach they will be advised in the school newsletter and students are urged to speak to Mr Rainbow about their eligibility. In most cases our quota of 5 students will need to have significant experience playing the sport at club or representative level and meet age requirements (usually born 2003 & 2004).

“CHANGE OF DATE – District tennis trials – now May 8.”

City Districts Swim Trials- On Friday 13th February 10 of our students were able to trial for the City District places in the upcoming Met North Regional trials. The district trials were held at Valley Pool and congratulations to Drew, Dylan, Thomas, Felix, Elise, Lauren, Luca, Natasha, Sunday and April for putting in efforts that resulted in personal best times and getting them close to being selected (one student missing out by 0.02 seconds)! Many of our students attended for the first time.

Congratulations to Elise for qualifying for the 50m Butterfly – she will swim at Lawnton Pool against competitors from the other Met North Districts. We hope you go well! Kent Rainbow. PE Teacher

School photos for 2015 – Wednesday 18 March. Information regarding photo day will be sent home with the students in the coming weeks.

Chinese New Year Performance—Our students from Prep-Year 6 will enjoy the annual performance for Chinese New Year on Tuesday 24 February at 2.30pm in the school Hall. Parents are welcome to attend this performance.
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS IN THE LIBRARY AT NFSS.

Another fantastic week for banking with 104 students last week! Well done everyone. Come and see us early to drop off your bank books.

If we are busy just leave it in the green bucket on the table. Please don’t use foreign coins and avoid ripped notes if possible.

Thank you to all our volunteers: Teniell, Rachel, Jenny, Wendy and Pru.

Contact - Karen Ridoutt (ridoutt@optusnet.com.au or 0412 004 644)

Vacancy -
The School Crossing Supervisor position is for up to 5 days per week on a roster. Two positions are available offering 5 days each per fortnight. Remuneration $27.49 per hour. 1.50 hours per day - must be available for before and after school shifts.

Any interested persons may contact Elena at the school office on 3358 7333 or the Road Safety Office on 3863 9873

Parenting ideas website: This week’s article is—“It’s not okay to be away nor late for school”. It has been attached to the email notification.

UNIFORM SHOP UPDATE Term 1 2015

Wed 8 to 9am Wed 2.30 to 3.30pm. The school hat order has arrived. From Wednesday 18 March 8am-9.30am only.

Want to try soccer? Lots of boys and girls at New Farm State School (from prep to grade 6) play soccer at the New Farm United Soccer Club, and it’s a great way to have fun and make new friends.

We're currently putting together teams for the 2015 season starting in March, and we still have places available in most age-groups. In particular, we are looking for more Prep and Grade 1 players to fill our under-6 and under-7 teams. It's very casual, fun and social, with a focus on being part of a team and developing a love of the sport. Many children have built long-lasting friendships through soccer and have continued to play with the Club for many years (and even as adults). All under-6 and under-7 games are played at New Farm Park on Saturday mornings, with team training one afternoon a week.

If you’re interested in joining a team or would like to find out more, please contact Helen Fogarty on 0410 541 997 or helen@suitesystems.com.au. Or visit our website at www.newfarmsoccer.com.au.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

We have tuckshop twice a week on Wednesday and Friday. To see the menu please go to the Flexischools website (see below).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you have pre-ordered on line and your child is going to be absent from school you will need to cancel the order before 8.00am on the day otherwise it will still go through as an order. With the system we cannot change or cancel orders from the tuckshop.

ON LINE ORDERING

To order on line please go to www.flexischools.com.au it is quick and easy to use. We encourage everyone to do this as you can order in advance or for the whole term. Cut off time is 8.00am for both Wednesday and Friday.

If you do order over the counter please have it before 9.00am otherwise we cannot guarantee that we will have all the menu items available. Please clearly mark your child’s name and class and be careful not include foreign coins as the bank does not accept these.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Tuckshop - Grace, Fiona Caniglia, Marnie Hollis & Natalie Wolski
Counter - Lyn Zollo & Majella Lyons
Baking - Alison Menzies, Elisa Gambaro, Dimity Williams, Jocelyn Parry, Fiona Caniglia, Mehera Milne, Cath Byrne & Sam Bryce

Thank you everyone who supports the tuckshop, Terri-Anne & Jin
Focus: Being a good listener and a good learner

**Looks Like**
- Body is still (no fidgeting)
- Eyes on the speaker
- Non verbal acknowledgement

**Sounds Like**
- Zero noise/silence
- Verbal acknowledgement or repetition
- Asking questions at the right time

**Feels Like**
- Understanding of the task
- Success in completing the task

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**Community Education News...**

**From the CEP Coordinator:**

Many of our Term 1 Community Education classes are now up and running!

We still have space available in many of the classes, although some are fully booked. There are still a couple of prime after-school lesson times for guitar on Fridays! If you are still keen to enrol, please enquire via email (details below).

Additional enrolment forms are located in the school office.

**Budding musicians, take note:**

Starting on Feb 17th, we have our very own CEP Instrumental Music Tutor! Lisa will run 3 after school sessions on Tuesdays, 30 minutes in duration, and is happy to work with Beginner-Intermediate level learners in all orchestral instruments. She can also coach advanced saxophone and woodwinds, and is competent in teaching keyboard skills. Lisa can provide an individual lesson in your chosen instrument, or work with small groups of 2-3 students playing the same or different instruments. This is the perfect way to supplement band class/practice with some hands on support! Fees depend on the number of students enrolling for the session; for more information or times available please email: nfsscommunityed@live.com.au

*Book classes online via nfsscommunityed@live.com.au, or SMS/ring 0428 689 065 for more information.*

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**NFSS FETE 2015 ANNOUNCEMENT**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here we are again it’s “Fete Year” – as all parents of Year 2 children and up will know this is our schools major fundraiser and we encourage as many parents as possible to get involved.

For new Prep and Year 1 parents who have yet to experience this event each class is expected to organise a stall.

The 2013 Fete made a profit of $93,000 which was a huge boost to the P & C coffers.

As some of you are aware along with Judith Hunter (no longer a NFSS parent) and Paul Jones I convened the fete. This year I am going back to work and unfortunately will not have the time to play a major role.

Therefore I am putting it out to the school community to find out who would be interested in getting involved in the role of Convener.

One approach I would recommend is to take a leaf out of Holy Spirit’s book and a team of people get together as co-convener’s.

I will obviously be around for advice and guidance - I have a manual and plenty of info to pull it all together.

**The proposed fete date is SUNDAY 14TH JUNE - 2 weeks before end of Term 2.**

This would give the P & C the opportunity to concentrate on other fundraising events such as Garden Parties and Trivia Night for the remainder of the school year. Please let me know ASAP if you want to volunteer and get involved in raising even more funds for our wonderful school!

Many Thanks

Katie Grundy P & C Vice President 0452 562 106 Kgrundy3@outlook.com

In the meantime during fete year we ask that as well as volunteering for Class Rep that an additional Parent/Carer takes on the role of Fete Rep - this volunteer will co-ordinate the Class Stall and cascade all information from the Fete Convener(s) to their fellow parent volunteers.

Please let your child’s teacher know if you would like to take on this role.

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