Monday
9 March, 2015

DIARY DATES
March
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)
21 Harmony Day
27 Leadership and Project Captains Presentation assembly. 9am in Hall

REMININDERS
Naplan Tests
12,13,14 May 2015

School Camps 2015
Year 5 Emu Gully Camp
19-21 August 2015
Year 6 Canberra Camp
7-11 September 2015

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

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

NAPLAN Tests
This years NAPLAN tests will be 12,13,14 May 2015 for Year 3 and 5 Students.

- 12 May—Language conventions and Writing
- 13 May—Reading
- 14 May—Numeracy

NAPLAN is a point in time test and to be a valid indicator of student achievement, should be considered alongside the many other assessment opportunities that students engage in at school. NAPLAN assesses student achievement in Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. The test content is embedded in the learning programs that students engage with through our school curriculum. Students have already started to prepare for NAPLAN in class. Students will participate in a range of activities to prepare for the test and ensure that students are familiar with the test format, language, response types and time constraints of the test. For Year 3, 5 parents, an information brochure which provides general information about the NAPLAN tests will be sent home with your child closer to the date. If you have any questions or concerns relating to your child’s participation in NAPLAN this year please make contact with Ms. Cassie Buckley (Deputy Principal)

Fete 2015—26 July. Please keep this date free as this is our major fundraising event for the year. Thank you to the Parent Fete Representatives for volunteering for this role. We are still requiring Parent reps for the following classes- Prep1/T, Prep N, 1G, 2/3M. Contact Carmel McGrath if you can help with this important role.

Swimming—We will be finalising swimming payments this week. Preferred payment is by direct deposit to BSB 064 119, Account 00090283, description “child’s SURNAME and ACTIVITY” if there is room. If you have any queries, please call Elena Anderson, Business Services Manager on 3358 7333. Thank you!

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

Lockdown Drill—We will be holding our Lockdown Drill Thursday 19 March. Teachers will review this procedure with the students prior to the drill taking place.

From the Principal's Desk.....
Arriving at one goal is the starting point to another. John Dewey

This weeks social skills will be presented by Mr John Rafter Year 4 class “Bully Free Zone”. See back page.
Uniform Shop from Wednesday 18 March (New Time)-
From Wednesday 18 March our uniform shop will be
open Wednesday Mornings 8.00am- 9.30am.

Year 1FW Class— with Ms Wendy Macgregor and Fairley
Stanley will be formally known as 1FW. We apologise for
any confusions this may have caused.

Parent Reps 2015

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Character Builders— Thank you to the P & C association for subsidising the
cost of this program so all our year 6 students could be involved in the activities.
The program focused on developing the five core skills of leadership in students;
Presenting, Responsibility, Facilitating and Sharing and Service.

The CITY CLUSTER Student Leadership Program— Thank you to the
City-New Farm RSL Sub Branch for funding the cost of this program for our Year 6
students. School Project Captains, Ciel, Aaron, Frankie, Justine, Mali and Mr Conde
participated in a two day leadership program held at Kelvin Grove State College.
The program provided mentors to work with us to develop a project for 2015 here at
New Farm.

PARENT EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST –
RUNNERS CLUB/CROSSCOUNTRY GROUP- The District Cross Country will be
held very early in Term 2 this year and so will our Interhouse event. We would like to
hear from parents or other members of the school community who would be
interested in hosting training sessions on any suitable day for them, in the period
before school, starting training at 8:30am until 8:45am. Please contact the school or
Mr Rainbow directly if you are able to help.

Out of Bounds areas— Teachers will be reminding students of our Out of
Bounds rules. This includes not chasing balls that go over fences during playtime.
Students must tell a staff member and the ball will be retrieved after the teacher on
duty has finished their supervision. No student is to leave the school grounds.

P & C Meeting— Wednesday 11 March 7.30pm in the library. The P&C is always
keen to welcome any new parents to the school community. It’s a great way to be
informed of future planning for the school.
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS IN THE LIBRARY AT NFSS.
Keep up the good saving kids! To open a Youth Saver account with the Commonwealth Bank just pop in to a branch with your child’s birth certificate (they do not need to be there) and your photo ID and they will open one on the spot. Then just bring the deposit book to us on a Friday morning and we will set you up for school banking. If you can’t get into a branch we can help you.

Thanks to all our great volunteers: Teniell, Rachel, Jenny, Wendy and Prue.

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

UNIFORM SHOP UPDATE
( New time from 18 March)

Term 1 2015
Wed 11 March 8.00 to 9.00am
Wed 11 March 2.30pm to 3.30pm.
The school hat order has arrived.
From Wednesday 18 March
8am-9.30am.

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.

Parenting ideas website:
This weeks article is—"Helping kids deal with rejection ". It has been attached to the email notification.

Awards presented on Friday 6 March assembly to the following students

Social Skills Awards -
Chloe 1FW
Sashi 1FW
Euan 3/4F
Erin 5/6W

Assembly Awards
Congratulations to the General Classroom award recipients
Finjon  Prep 1/T
Hugh  Prep 1/T
Clara  Prep W
Raymond Prep W
Max  1G
Elise  3RJ
Thomas 3RJ
Hamison 5D
Charlotte 5/6W

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Bully Free Zone

Focus:
Children realising that bullying is being deliberately hurtful when it is difficult for the other person to defend themselves and is repeated over time. Bystanders can help by reporting what they have seen and heard.

Looks Like
- A happy, peaceful school environment with no bullying behaviours taking place
- Students choosing to not put up with bullying behaviour

Sounds Like
- Everyone getting along
- Students reporting bullying behaviours if they see, hear or feel it

Feels Like
- A friendly place to be
- Student feeling safe to come to school
- Reporting bullying behaviours makes a nicer environment for all

BIGFISH LITTLEFISH SWIMMING INTENSIVE
- We are running a 5 day swim program
- Lessons will run from 13 - 17 April 2015
- Lessons will start from 9 am and students will be put into levels that suit their skill set.
- Children that attend Jabiru are able to join lessons and are safely transported to and from the pool by an adult.
- Intensives are proven to fast track your child's swimming ability regardless of their current skills.
- We focus on individual and group development during the program.
- The program cost is $72.50
- You will be amazed by the results
- Places fill fast do don't delay book today.
- If you are interested or have any further questions please give me a call.

Jo Keehan  0414 486 767

BULLYING NO WAY!
SAFE AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS TOGETHER.

Harmony Day and National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence will be held during week 8 of this term. In class activities will be conducted during the week concluding with a dress up day and parade on Friday 20 March. Children are encouraged to wear orange sun safe clothing on Friday the 20 March. They are also encouraged to bring a gold coin donation for our NFSS Community – Charity Leadership group. The message for this Harmony and Action against Bullying Day is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home – from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world. It is a day to celebrate Australia’s diversity and to stress the importance of social harmony. By participating in these activities, we can learn and understand how all Australians from diverse backgrounds equally belong to this nation and enrich it.