Monday
16 March, 2015

DIARY DATES
March

18  School Photos
18  Mini Market
20  Say No to Bullying Day (Free Dress Day)
21  Harmony Day
27  Leadership and Project Captains Presentation assembly. 9am in Hall
29  Little Farm working Bee 2-5pm

April

2  Last day of Term 1 finish 3pm
3  Good Friday
20  School resumes for Term 2

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

REMININDERS
Naplan Tests
12,13,14 May 2015

From the Principal’s Desk……
“Learn, Create, Grow”
Purpose is what gives life a meaning.
C.H. Parkhurst

This week’s social skills will be presented by Mrs Rachel Fletcher’s Year 3/4 class
“Do the Right Thing”. See back page.

School photos timetable - Wednesday 18 March
All photos are taken in the hall.
Only the following classes are swimming before their photos.
Year 2/3 M
Year 1 FW
Year 1 G

Please note students who are swimming prior, remember to bring a brush/comb and
maybe an extra towel for your hair.
Important to note that sibling photos are scheduled for 8.00-8.40am. Sibling photo
order forms are available from the office.
Please return your photo order form before Wednesday to the office.

Parent Teacher Meetings – Please return your appointment form to the class
teachers as soon as possible. This is a very important opportunity to discuss your
child’s progress so far this year.

Before School Procedure
• Students should arrive at school between 8.30am and 8.45 am.
• Students should not arrive before 8.30am.
• Students arriving at school prior to 8.30am are required to be booked into Jabiru
(before and after school care. Information available at office).
• All students are to be seated under A Block until 8.30am. When the teacher
arrives to supervise, students are able to play on the netball court and fake grass
or remain seated under A Block. Balls and play equipment should not be used in
the school grounds before school.
• All students should remain in the A Block and Netball court area until the bell at
8.45am for students to move to class.
• No students should be in the Year 1 or memorial areas.

Family friendly practice
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**Arrive safe and leave safe**—Parents please remind students who ride a bike, scooter or skateboard to school to stay safe and remind that our schools surrounding streets are very busy with traffic. Please walk your bike/scooter/ skateboard across at the school crossing. No riding of these items is permitted in the school grounds.

**Uniform Shop from Wednesday 18 March (New Time)—** From Wednesday 18 March our uniform shop will be open Wednesday Mornings 8.00am - 9.30am.

**RUNNERS CLUB/CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING**—This group is open to students born 2003 – 2005 who intend to trial for nomination to the City District Cross Country Trials. To trial for the district they will be required to run the long course race at our school carnival (not the fun run short course) - 3km for those born 2003/4 and 1.5km for those born 2005.

**Training starts Wednesday 18 March.** Training will be held on Mondays/ Wednesdays/Fridays from 8:30 – 8:45 am and students should arrive 10 minutes prior to this time for warm up (8:20 am).

Mr Rainbow plus other interested parents and teachers will be supervising.

**NAPLAN Tests**
This year’s 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

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)

**City Districts Soccer CONGRATULATIONS.** Well done to both Frankie and Blake in Year 6 who last Friday were chosen for the City District Soccer Teams. They will play at the Metropolitan North trials on 19 & 20 May.

**NFSS Cross Country Friday 24 April.** The annual Interhouse Cross Country is on Friday 24 April. Mr Rainbow and students from Years 1 to 7 will walk the course in their PE lessons before the event.

Prep students will run around the oval. Those students born 2003-2004 who wish to trial for nomination to the District event on 5 May will run a long course race (3km for those born 2003-2004 and 1.5km for those born 2006). All other students will run a short course fun run of about 1km.

If you do not wish your child to participate please contact your child’s Teacher.

For the distance of run to be achieved we need parents/carers to make themselves available to stand and monitor at checkpoints on the course. If you are able to assist, please contact the office. admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au

**Payment of Invoices**—A reminder about payment of invoices. The preferred payment is by direct deposit however we also do accept, cash, cheque and credit card payments (Mastercard/Visa). When making a Direct Deposit, it is important to put your CHILD’S Surname as the reference. We have received a few payments recently that we cannot reconcile because there has been no reference. If you have made a direct deposit this term and haven’t included a reference, can you please contact Elena Anderson on 3358 7333 with your receipt details so that we can allocate the payment. Thank you!

**P&C funded**—We have purchased 6 iPads for use within the school. They will be housed in the Library and lent out to classrooms for curriculum lessons. The school would like to thank the P&C for generously donating the money which was raised from last year’s Trivia Night.

**Harmony Day and National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence**—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.
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS IN THE LIBRARY AT NFSS.
The last two weeks have been new record numbers with 117 both weeks! Well done! Please note which rewards are available when ordering. This term it is the ball or DVD but there are also some old items available so come and see us for those details. Tina from the Comm Bank will be at assembly Friday 27 March to assist with account opening. Please avoid foreign coins and if possible torn notes.

Many thanks to our volunteers, Teniell, Rachel, Jenny, Wendy, Prue and Natasha.

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

UNIFORM SHOP UPDATE
( New time from 18 March)
From Wednesday 18 March
8am-9.30am.

Mini Market
Market this Wednesday 18 March
There will be fresh herbs and seedlings
Home bakes from $1 everyone welcome.
If you would like to donate something baked, grown or made please drop them at the market stall after 2.30pm on Wednesday.

Garden Working Bee
Sunday 29 March 2-5 pm
We're aiming to have a big tidy up to get it looking all super duper and ready for the cooler growing season. It would be great if you could help out any way you can, for any length of time... come and get your hands dirty, share ideas, bring refreshments or just pop by with a friendly smile and some words of encouragement. It promises to be a fun and friendly afternoon for everyone. No gardening experience necessary! Remember, many hands make light work....

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Parenting ideas website:
This weeks article is—“7 ways to be on top of your parenting game “. It has been attached to the email notification.

Awards presented on
Friday 13 March assembly
to the following students

Social Skills Awards -
Freya 2F
Frode 4R
Claire 4R
Ashley 5/6W

Assembly Awards
Abbie Prep W
Charlie Prep W
Lucy Prep W
Orlando Prep N
Bryce 2C
Pepper 2C
Scarlett 2F
Mia 3JR
Thomas 3JR
Kiara 4R
Haru 4R
Joshua 5/6W

Get your family active and eating well
Local families can now sign up the free healthy lifestyle program called PEACH™ - Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health.Registrations are now open for a group to commence in term 2, 2015. It is available to families with a child aged between 5-11 years who is above a healthy weight for their age. The program is funded by the Queensland government and being delivered by the Queensland University of Technology. If you would like more information about the PEACH™ program or to register please contact free call 1800 263 519 or visit www.peachqld.com.au
Respect Yourself
Respect Others
Respect Proper-Do The Right Thing

Focus:
• Keeping our school neat and tidy makes us feel good about our school. If we all help out, we share the pride in our environment.

Looks Like
• No rubbish lying around
• Clean environment

Sounds Like
• Can I put this in the bin?
• All my rubbish is in the bin.
• No teachers saying/asking Can you pick up that rubbish?

Feels Like
• Everyone healthy and happy

Not too late for soccer! We still have plenty of spaces in most of our New Farm Soccer Club teams, especially for Preppies, and grades 1-3. It's lots of fun and a great way to make new friends and be part of a team. Training once a week at New Farm Park and games on Saturday mornings.
For more information, contact Helen on 0410541997 or helen@suitesystems.com.au.

Fete 2015—26 July

Fete Convenor  Jody and Graeme Dillon
               Niasha Mukandi

Stall Convenor  Rachel Kendrick

The New Farm State School Fete's planning committee are making great progress and wish to thank all parents/carers for volunteering for all essential roles. The finalising of convenors will happen shortly with just a few places still to allocate. Convenors will wish to meet soon to arrange important dates and deadlines leading up to our fete 26 July. Please make sure you have returned you parent details as soon as possible so a class list of contacts can be given to the parent reps. We are still requiring help for the following classes, Prep N, Prep W, 2 F.

If you can help please contact our Principal, Carmel McGrath.
Phone 3358 7333

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 lessons will run for 30 min blocks The program cost is $72.50
• You will be amazed by the results
• If you are interested or have any further questions please give me a call.
Jo Keehan  0414 486 767

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