NEW FARM STATE SCHOOL

From the Principal’s Desk…….

Try not to become a man of success but a man of value.
Albert Einstein.

NFSS interhouse Cross Country (new date) Thursday 23 April
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.

Health Alert (Whooping Cough) Please note that we have been advised by a parent that a child has been diagnosed with whooping cough. A copy of the Queensland Health Fact Sheet relating to Whooping Cough is attached for your information. It has also been uploaded to our website Whooping Cough Queensland Health Fact Sheet.

Parking and school access— Parents/Carers please take care when parking in the surrounding streets during morning drop off and afternoon pick up. Our neighbours are valuable members of our community and need access to their property at all times. Please do not park across driveways or property access points. Even if you think you may only need a minute to drop your children this is not an acceptable practice. Do not double park in Heal Street while dropping off or picking up. This puts your children in danger and blocks the flow of traffic in the street.

Rubbish and litter on the surrounding footpaths— Please take care when leaving the school to take any rubbish with you or make sure it is placed in a bin. Again our neighbours are not responsible for picking up rubbish left behind by our school community.

Absentee Line— Please phone 3358 7333 then follow the prompts on the menu. Absentee line is option 1. Please follow our absent student procedure. Please state your name (Parent/carer), contact phone number, your child's full name, your child's class. The reason for absence and their length of absence if known. Please remember to speak in a clear voice. We cannot have any unexplained student marked on our roll.

Request To Administer Medications At School—Any student who requires emergency medication( Epi Pen), Regular Medication (Ventolin or Antihistamines) or Occasional Medication( Antibiotics or Eye/Ear Drops ) is required by Law to complete a Request to Administer Medication form. We are currently updating our data base and will be in contact with students who have existing conditions. This form can be collected from the office. It is also attached to today’s email.

Cyclone Pam Appeal for Vanuatu —Thanks to all families who made a contribution to the appeal for Cyclone Pam families. Your kind donations have now been collected and are being sorted for distributions to Vanuatu. We are no longer accepting donations via the school office.
Any questions please contact Nadine Jenkins on 0466 772 966
Leadership Assembly—Thank you to our special guests for attending our special assembly: the P & C President Fiona Murcott, Mr Andrew KIlgour, the President of the City/New Farm RSL Sub Branch, local Councillor Vicki Howard. Well done to our Year 6 speakers Aaron and Natasha. Thanks goes to the Year 5 students Lauren, Charlotte, Jib, Lucas and George for their involvement. Thanks also to our school staff for their help leading up to the assembly Mr Steve Conde, Mr Brett Wilson, Ms Jenny O’Neill, Mr Garth Coyle, Mr John Rafter, Ms Wendy Malsen, Mrs Vivian Chirico and our Schools Officer, Mr Greg Walls.

Anzac Day Assembly 9.30am Friday 24 April—Parents/carers are most welcome to attend this special assembly. Children are welcome to bring along fresh cut flowers to the office, by 8am on the day, to be made into wreaths. Families wishing to lay a wreath are invited to place a wreath in honour of their family’s contribution.

Payment of Invoices—A reminder that payments for Camp Deposits, Instrumental programs and Prep Resource Scheme are due by the end of Term1. The preferred payment is by direct deposit however we do also 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.

ANZAC DAY CHILDREN’S PROJECT—This year we would like to invite our students to make a poster of family history related to service to Australia. The poster should be no bigger than A3 and can include photos, news articles and such artefacts that may be of interest to others and that recognise the service the individual/s have given to our country. The work should be completed and handed in to the office by Thursday 23 April so that it can be put on display for ANZAC Day. If you have any questions you may contact Ms Wendy Maslen 2/3M via email admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS IN THE LIBRARY AT NFSS.
A new record for banking with 123 deposits! What a fantastic way to end the term for banking! Every deposit next term will be put your name into the draw to win one of 2 Mary Ryan’s book vouchers.
Account opening morning will be from 8.30 am on Friday 8 May outside the Library. Come and say hi to our new branch manager. Or you can pop into a branch with some ID and your child’s birth certificate to open a Youth Saver Account on the spot. (your child does not need to be with you to do this).
BANKING WILL RESUME WEEK 2 NEXT TERM.
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
Opening hours Wednesday 8am-9.30am.

TUCKSHOP NEWS
This week is only Wednesday tuckshop.
NEW WEDNESDAY MENU FOR TERM 2
Pasta and Pizza are coming back in Term 2 for Wednesday only, we will also be having cheese and salad rolls available. Snacks will remain the same. Please refer to the Flexischools website to see the new Wednesday menu. See below for the Flexischools website address.
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.

VOLUNTEERS FOR TERM 2
If you are interested in helping out in the tuckshop in Term 2, please come see us at the counter on a Wednesday or Friday morning or email us at nfsstuckshop@hotmail.com for more information.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Thank you everyone who supports the tuckshop and hope you have a safe and happy Easter.
Terri-Anne & Jin

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Community Education - Term 2, 2015

Have you seen what’s happening in Term 2?

All the old favourites are back for the kids, covering The Arts (Art, Music lessons, Drama), Languages (Mandarin, French), Fitness (Judo, Dance, Gymnastics) and intellectual pursuits such as Chess. We are pleased to offer Instrumental Music tutoring in addition to the usual Piano, Guitar and Vocal lessons!

For the Grown-Ups:

Language offerings include Japanese, Italian and French classes. If you’re looking to improve your computer literacy, try Excel for Beginners. Sewing (Intermediate) makes a re-appearance with motivating and supportive seamstress, Gwen. Also back on offer is Mahjong. Come and learn the ins and outs of this fascinating game with our talented tutor, Dianne. Already a player? Join Dianne’s one-day mini-tournament in May. Looking to swing (your hips), stretch and smile?…try Aerobics (ZumBrazilian) with Paola. Or develop your core strength and stability in Pilates with Nancy.

Music, music, music….

The Community Choir is led by two dedicated directors, Katherine and Emily. Choir will continue to meet on Thursday evenings. Terry will teach you to strum the Ukulele, with classes for the novice, or for those with previous experience.

As usual, the Piano/Vocal/Guitar lessons are filling up fast… some days/tutors are already fully booked. If you cannot get the lesson time you desire this term, perhaps you’d like to be wait-listed for potential openings in a future term. The same applies for Art with Meredith, which is already full for Term 2.

To enrol or enquire:
nfsscommunityed@live.com.au

NFSS School Fete 26 July 2015

Donate, donate to the fete . . .

Hi to all parents and carers out there, this is Rachel, stall convenor for this year’s fete. I wanted to give you a bit of an update on where we are before the Easter holidays and also get you thinking about any ways in which you can help to ensure this fete is the resounding success it’s always been for our school.

Most of the classes now have both a fete rep and an activity for the day, but there are still two outstanding. We need a parent from 2F to come forward and offer their assistance here please. Or maybe two people could share the role? If you can help, please email me at rachel@intothelimelight.co.uk

We are obviously looking to maximise the profit from every stall, so please can you have a think about whether you’re able to donate any items or offer some sponsorship? It would be great if you could each talk to your fete rep to find out what they need to make your class’ stall the most successful it can be. The more the overheads are covered, the greater the yield.

The holidays usually provide a great opportunity for tidying up and clearing out, and if you have any good quality children’s toys, games, books or clothing that you no longer need, 3/4F would like them. Their activity is ‘Kids Treasure’, which went down a storm with visitors to the last fete. Please email Karen at ridoutt@optusnet.com.au to offer your donations.

That’s it for now . . . more to follow next term. I wish you all a wonderful Easter break in the meantime.

Regards

Rachel Kendrick

Fete Convenor-
Nyasha Mukandi on nyashamukandi@gmail.com.

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