Monday
20 April, 2015
DIARY DATES
April
22 High Achievers’ Parent Info Evening 6.30pm
23 NFSS interhouse Cross Country 9.30am
24 ANZAC Day Assembly 9.30am
28 Met North Hockey
28 Met North Tennis
28 Touch Rugby league
29 High Achievers Program begins 1.45pm
29 Canberra Parent Info Session 5.30pm
May
5 City District Cross Country
6 Fire Drill
6 & 7 Met North rugby league
8 City District Tennis trials
12 Naplan test
13 Naplan test
13 P&C Meeting
14 Naplan test

Gala Days – Friday 22, 29 May and 5 June. More details will be sent home in the coming weeks.

REMININDERS
Naplan Tests
12, 13, 14 May 2015
Banking will resume for this Term in week 2 from 8.30am outside the library

From the Principal’s Desk…..
Experience is the child of thought, and thought is the child of action.
Benjamin Disraeli.

NFSS interhouse Cross Country Thursday 23 April (8.45am-10.45am)
Mr Rainbow and students from Years 1 to 6 will walk the course in their PE lessons before the event.
Prep students will run around the oval. Those students born 2003-2005 who wish to trial for nomination to the District event on 5th 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. Please remember to bring sensible running shoes, sunscreen, hat and a water bottle.

If you do not wish your child to participate please contact your child’s Teacher.
For the distance of run to be achieved we urgently 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

Full School Review 7-11 May 2015 – Our school is scheduled for a school review from 7 -11 May. The Department of Education and Training has introduced new performance reviews for Queensland state schools in 2015. The review does not compare schools but provides independent and quality feedback to help schools continue to improve outcomes for students. All schools will have a review at least every four years. A final report is made available to parents and the community on the school’s website. The review team would like to hear from our school community and I would encourage anyone who is interested to have their say. Your feedback is important and will help us continue to deliver a quality education for students.
If you are interested in speaking to the reviewers, or would like more information about the review process, please contact our BSM (Business Services Manager) Elena Anderson via email eande156@eq.edu.au by Friday 24 April

Further information about the review is available from the department’s website at: education.qld.gov.au/schools/school-performance-assessment-framework

Electronic newsletter – Please be aware as from this week you will only receive the emailed electronic version of the newsletter. The newsletter can easily be downloaded from the website at any time or via the QSchools app. We will always have some printed copies available at the office if needed. If you need to update your email details please contact the office admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au

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 at admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au

YEAR 1 and Memorial Area – Over the holidays the refurbishment of the areas outside the Year 1 classrooms was completed. Artificial turf has been laid and garden beds are now edged. The new plants and mulch are in place to present a wonderful entrance.
ANZAC Day Assembly– Our ceremony will be Friday 24 April 2015 at 9.30am.

FLOWERS AND WREATHS
Families are encouraged to bring in fresh flowers to the office at 8am to be made up into wreaths for our special guests.
Students and / or families are welcome to lay a wreath during the ceremony.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES
Following the formal ceremony, students will be involved in a range of activities including:

- Hands On Demonstration of Bomb Disposal Robotics and Protection Systems used by our Deployed Forces
- Static Display of Army Fire Truck and Bomb Detection Dog Demonstration
- Army Brief on where we have our Defence Members deployed on operations and Postcards for Soldiers
- Historical Stand on WW1 inventions and historical items ‘Two Up’
- ANZAC biscuits and Hard Tack (Gluten and dairy free biscuits will be available)
- Charity walk for ‘Walking Wounded’ – PLEASE BRING YOUR GOLD COIN DONATION

Special thanks goes to Ms Wendy Maslen and to Mr Warwick Penrose for their efforts over the last month in the lead up to our ANZAC day assembly.

Refurbishment of the Year 1 and Hall Memorial Area
This area now has artificial turf, new garden edging and new plants with mulch.
Please take the time to have a look at our beautiful new areas.
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS IN THE LIBRARY AT NFSS.
Banking will resume in Week 2.
Contact: Karen Ridoutt (ridoutt@optusnet.com.au or 0412 004 644)

UNIFORM SHOP
Opening hours Wednesday 8am-9.30am.

DOWNEY PARK NETBALL - NETSETGO 2015
- NetSetGo is a play based netball skills program aimed for 5 – 7 year olds. (born 2008, 2009, 2010).
- Emphasis is on the acquisition of the basic motor skills, in a fun environment of games and activities.
- The program promotes participation and skill development.
- Dates: Saturdays - May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; June 13, 20, 2015
- Time: 8.00am – 9.00am
- Cost: $95 includes insurance, ball and t-shirt
Downey Park Netball Courts, Green Tce, Windsor (inside fenced complex).
Further information on our website - www.downeypark.qld.netball.com.au

New Farm SS Rules
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Safe
- Be a Learner

New Farm SS

Parenting ideas website:
This week’s article is — “Do less, not more for your kids.” It has been attached to the email notification.

Fearless Triple P

US researchers would like to offer your family the opportunity to participate in a new 6-week parenting program aimed at treating anxiety in children and adolescents aged 7 to 12 years.

Fearless Triple P has been developed by family and child psychologist and researchers, Dr Vanessa Cobham and Professor Matthew Sanders, at The University of Queensland.

For more information, please contact the research team at q envsa.uq@uq.net.au or visit https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/fearless.
PACES ARE LIMITED.

Get fit, have fun and do it for MUM!
Register now for Australia’s largest Mother’s Day event
Women in Super Mother’s Day Classic (Sunday May 10, 2015) Broadbeach – Gold Coast Mother’s Day Classic—
4km/8km run or walk (suitable for all fitness levels)
Register to walk or run online today at mothersdayclassic.com.au

TUCKSHOP NEWS
NEW WEDNESDAY MENU FOR TERM 2
Pasta and Pizza are back for Wednesday tuckshop, 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.

Tuckshop - Alison Menzies, Marnie Hollis & Nazia
Counter - Fiona Caniglia & Lyn Zollo
Baking - Alison Menzies, Skye McKay, Dimity Williams, Lyn Zollo, Sam Bryce, Iris Stacey & Cath Byrne

Thank you everyone who supports the tuckshop.
Terri-Anne & Jin
Children understand which areas of the school are ‘out of bounds’ and which areas they are permitted to be in. They understand that staying in the right areas will help keep them safe at school.

**Looks Like**
- Students working, eating and playing in the areas that are supervised continuously by the teachers

**Sounds Like**
- Students asking permission to go into an ‘out of bounds’ area

**Feels Like**
- Being safe

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**NFSS School Fete 26 July 2015**

NFSS Fete meeting for all conveners and fete reps

Wednesday 29 April 6.30pm Library

**Nyasha Mukandi, Fete Convener**
0458675879

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**Emotional Regulation Strategies for Children with Autism and Asperger’s Syndrome**

This workshop is aimed at caregivers of children aged 5-12 years with high functioning Autism and Asperger’s Syndrome.

**Workshop Overview:**
Children with Autism and Asperger’s Syndrome often have difficulty managing their emotions resulting in meltdowns and a range of other behavioural problems. A thorough understanding of Autism and Asperger’s Syndrome is needed to effectively manage these behaviours.

This 1.5 hour workshop will help caregivers to identify:
- What causes emotional regulation problems in children with Autism and Asperger’s Syndrome
- What strategies can be used to maintain a healthy emotional state throughout the day
- What strategies can be used to deal with emotional meltdowns
- What strategies can be used following emotional meltdowns to turn these meltdowns into learning opportunities

**Presenter:**
Cameron Griffiths—Occupational Therapist

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**Tired of Fighting with Your Teenager? Struggling to deal with their emotional behaviour?**

**Come to a Free 2-hour Parenting Seminar!**

Parents of teenagers aged 11 to 16 years are invited to take part in new research by attending a seminar based on the successful Teen Triple P: Positive Parenting Program. Parents can choose to attend one of two seminars:
- Reducing Family Conflict
- Coping with Teenagers’ Emotions

As parents can only attend one seminar, please choose the topic that concerns you most.

**Dates:** Terms 2 and 3, 2015
**Venues:** PCYC Bayside, Carindale, Everton Hills & Inala and UQ St Lucia

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