In absence of clearly defined goals, we become strangely loyal to performing daily acts of trivia. Author Unknown.

Social Skills— This week Mrs. Rachel Fletcher’s 3/4 F class will present our social skills “Different But the Same”. Please see the back page to view the details.

Full School Review 7-11 May. The reviewers are finalising their time at New Farm State school. Our Review has been a combination of a Learning and Teaching Audit. The reviewers have completed visiting most classes and have allocated approximately 15-20 minutes to observe. Thank you to our Staff, P&C members, students and parents who have taken time to speak with our reviewers. We will receive the reports in the next few weeks and these will be uploaded to the website for parents to view the results.

Lost Property— We have an enormous amount of lost property at present. Our lost property is located under A Block near the uniform shop. Please check if you are missing a hat or jumper. Please remember to check you have labelled all your children’s items. Lost property not claimed will be donated to the uniform shop. Please check these items before Monday 25 May.

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

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) 3358 7333.

The NAPLAN tests only take a small part of the school day, normal classes are scheduled for the remainder of the day. Please ensure you child arrives on time, relaxed and happy, well rested and well fed. Your child is able to bring along some small snacks for the days of testing. Teachers will allocate times for a snack break. If your child is unwell on the day of testing please continue to inform the office of your child’s absence. Contact the office on 3358 7300.
Cross Country 2015 -
Congratulations Binkinba House.
Thank you to our House Captains Blake and April for encouraging their team.

Congratulations to all our winners on the day. Well done to all competitors for trying their best.

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**“Lone Pine” Progeny Tree**

Gifted to New Farm SS

The Lone Pine (Aleppo Pine) was the only pine tree still standing at what became known as Lone Pine Ridge, Gallipoli, after a fierce battle during World War 1.

Mrs Olley, one of our school’s teacher aides, recently returned from Canberra where she purchased a progeny of this tree, and she has very generously gifted the sapling to our school.

We are very excited that the tree will soon be planted near our school memorial.

A BIG THANK YOU TO MRS OLLEY!

**P&C AGM (Annual General Meeting)**

Date: Friday, 29 May

Time: 5.30PM For Pizza and a Drink followed by the meeting at 6pm

Location: NFSS School library
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

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3/4F Wil
5/6W Ryan

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Focus:

We are all different individuals and yet sometimes we share similar views or interests with others. Knowing we are all different helps us understand our own and other people's feelings. Getting to know others is a fun thing to do.

**Looks Like**

- Students mixing with different people for different activities.

**Sounds Like**

- Everyone encouraging each other with their words
- Asking questions and showing interest to find out more

**Feels Like**

- A friendly place to be
- Students feeling it is ok to be different
- Students confident in their own abilities
- Respecting individual differences

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**NFSS School Fete 26 July 2015**

**Next Fete Meeting**

**Wednesday 27 May—6.30pm in the Library**

**Nyasha Mukandi, Fete Convener**

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Each year your children are picked up from school over 200 times and over 300 other families are doing the same thing.

At New Farm State School we are committed to doing everything we reasonably can to ensure that no child is injured while they are being dropped off or picked up from school. For many years we have all felt frustration as people use the loading zones in different ways.

We commenced monitoring the Look Out program in our Hawthorne Street 2 minute loading zone late last year and are now formally implementing the program to assist in further reducing congestion and keeping our students safe.

We know all families do not use the pick up zone but we felt all families would want to know how the program works. Remember we want a safe efficient loading zone. You can help by following the guidelines in the attached Look Out Newsletter when you use the zone. If you see a problem and have a suggested way to fix the problem please let Carmel McGrath know via 3358 7333 or admin@newfarmss.com.au.

Families who use the Look Out zone are to complete the attached Registration Form. They will then be issued with a laminated name card for display on the dashboard of your car. These cards will be handed to your child within a week of the Registration Form being handed in to the office.

Thank you for assisting the school in keeping our students safe.