NEW FARM STATE SCHOOL

From the Principal’s Desk…..

We are all faced with a series of great opportunities– brilliantly disguised as insolvable problems. John Gardner

Social Skills— This week Ms Stephanie Wearne’s Prep W class will present our social skills “Very Slowly, No Rush”. Please see the back page to view the details. Assembly Wednesday 17 June 9.00am.

Voluntary Education Contribution Scheme Thank you to the families who have already returned their VECS forms with their nominated contribution. All contributions are greatly appreciated. Please remember that the direct deposit option is our preferred payment method. Please return all contributions before 12 July 2015.

Please return to the P&C VECS box in the school office OR post C/- the P&C Treasurer PO Box 2358 FORTITUDE VALLEY BC Qld 4006

NAIDOC Celebrations—Wednesday 17 June The School will be holding a Workshop run by Rick Roser, an Aboriginal Artist and presenter in Queensland. Some of his artworks have been collected in the National Gallery and State Galleries, Museums and private collections. Rick has visited more than a thousand Queensland school and quite a few International schools and festivals over the last couple of decades presenting many thousands of hands on workshops. Please return your permission form to the office Wednesday morning before school with your payment. No Payment required for Prep students.

Full School Review— This report is a product of a review carried out at New Farm State School from 7-11 May 2015. It provides an evaluation of the school’s performance against the nine domains of the National School Improvement Tool. It also recommends improvement strategies for the school to consider in consultation with its regional office and school community. The full results are on the school website titled School Improvement Unit Report.

Children crossing Heal Street– Concerns have been raised over the safety and difficulty children are having crossing from the supervised James Street crossing to school via Heal Street. We are liaising with a consultant from Brisbane City Council– Transport Network Operations as to how best resolve this issue. This may include a traffic survey being done on the vehicle movements and pedestrian flow in this intersection. This may also involve a low resolution video being taken before and after school. Thank you to Cr Vicki Howard for her support in this matter. We will keep you updated on the results of this survey.

Prep– 2 Athletics Carnival– Rescheduled. Monday 22 June 9-11am New Farm State School Oval. Please ensure your child has their School hat, lunch packed and a water bottle.

Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival– Weather Alert!! If there are any changes to the schedule of the Athletics Carnival on Thursday or Friday due to the weather, we will communicate this via your Parent Rep. Please watch your emails through the week.

393 Bus Service—The 393 bus service extension to Kelvin Grove College will continue permanently, following the trial that began in March, under the existing funding arrangements with the State’s Translink authority.

Northside Junior Band Blitz– 9 June at Windsor SS. Thank you to our Instrumental teacher Mr Colin McIntyre for his instruction and supervision of our junior musicians. It was wonderfully supported by parents. It was fantastic to listen to their music and hear the improvement of all students.

Diary Dates

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Athletics Carnival—Our Athletics Carnivals are on this week.

Thursday, 18 June – Years 3 to 6s (all day) – Field Events - School Oval
Friday, 19 June – Years 3 to 6s (all day) - Track Events - Walk to New Farm Park
Monday, 22 June - Prep to Year 2s (9am to 11am) – School Oval

Here are a few things to consider:

1. Students can wear house colours. They should wear their school shorts and a short-sleeved T-shirt. They must be sun safe. No singlets are allowed.
2. Students must wear a broad brimmed hat.
3. Students must wear shoes that are suitable for running in. (Students will not be permitted to take off their shoes for running events).
4. Students in Years 3 to 6 will walk in class groups on Friday, 19 June to New Farm Park for the running events.
5. Students can order Tuckshop as usual on Friday. Orders will be delivered to New Farm Park. Ice blocks will not be available on that day.
6. Athletics Days on Thursday and Friday will take place between 9am and 3pm.
7. Parents are invited to attend any of our sports days but it is by no means a requirement.
8. In the event of rain that prevents the day from proceeding, we will let you know when the alternate day will be. A normal school day will then take its place.
9. While we have a timetable for the day, it is subject to change. Please ensure that if you are attending a particular event that you give yourself plenty of time.

Home Readers—Please return all home readers to your class teacher by the end of Term. These resources are very valuable to the class rotations for reading homework. Having enough readers for each child, so they have variety in their reading homework. These cost approximately $8 each to replace so having a full class set is most important.

School Opinion Survey 2015

The annual School Opinion Survey will be conducted between 29 June and 31 July 2015. All families, school staff and a random sample of Years 4, 5 and 6 students will be invited to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve.

This survey is conducted online only. Access detail for the Parent/Caregiver Survey will be sent home with the eldest child in each family next week.

If required school computers will be made available to complete the survey.

Survey queries or requests for translations can be directed to school office, telephone 3358 7333 or email admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au

ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) for Years 3-6

Term 2 - Writing Wednesday 17 June. (7.45am in Library)
Term 3 - English Tuesday 28 July, Maths Tuesday 11 August.
Competitions take approximately 45 minutes to complete and are held before school at 7.45am in the school Library.
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY AT NFSS.

Great saving kids, with 111banking last week! To ensure your book makes it safely back to you, please have the correct class written on front! Only 1 more chances to get your name in the draw to win a Mary Ryan book voucher.

No Banking on Friday 26 June (Last day of Term)

Thanks to our volunteers, Teniell, Wendy, Jenny, Natasha, Kim and Nadine.

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

UNIFORM SHOP
Opening hours Wednesday. 8am-3.30am.
Winter items are in stock.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Join the Jabiru carnival at New Farm SS this June -July holidays
The full program is available from Jabiru New Farm or online at http://www.jabiru.org.au/kids

Jabiru vacation care is cheaper than you think, especially for people entitled to Child Care Benefit: call Jabiru for a quote on 3269 044.

Parenting ideas website:
This week’s article is—”Don’t yell, move closer”.
It has been attached to the email notification.

Asthma? Allergies? Ask the Experts!

Asthma Foundation Queensland is hosting an ‘Ask the Expert’ session for parents of children with asthma or allergies.

The session will provide parents with the invaluable opportunity to learn more about their child’s asthma or allergies, and to have their questions answered by experts in the field.

Details for the session are below:
Date: Wednesday 29th July
Time: 6:30pm—8:00pm
Venue: Meeting Room
Carina Leagues Club
1390 Creek Road
Carina QLD 4152
Cost: FREE

Registrations can be made online at asthmaaustralia.org.au or by phoning 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462). Registration includes a ‘goodie’ bag and light refreshments.

SPORTS DAY - 19th June
Grades 3 - 6 will be going to New Farm Park for their sport’s day. Tuckshop orders will be as usual and will be delivered to New Farm Park. There will be no iceblocks or extra drinks served at the park. Preps - grade 2 will have their tuckshop at school as normal and iceblocks will be served as usual at play time.

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 to include foreign coins as the bank does not accept these.

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 with Flexischools otherwise it will still go through as an order. With the system we cannot change or cancel orders from the tuckshop.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - 19th June

Tuckshop - Nazia, Eleonora Ginardi
Counter - Lyn Zollo
Baking - Jocelyn Parry, Dimity Williams, Carla Ranson, Skye McKay & Elisa Gambaro

Thank you everyone who supports the tuckshop.
Terri-Anne & Jin
NFSS FETE—Sunday 26 July 2015

We now have a Fete Newsletter. Please have a look for all the latest updates on the Fete, listing of opportunities to volunteer and other ways to contribute. You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram:

Facebook.com/newfarmfete, Instagram.com/newfarmfete.


Second Hand Books Wanted! Urgently

Books for all ages are especially books for Adults (Novels, Travel, Cook books, Non Fiction, Art books)

Drop off any day this week before 11am. Same spot as last fete, look for the yellow poster!

Children’s Vintage Stall— Stock Wanted.

Children’s Toys, Games and Puzzles, Sporting goods, Bikes, Scooters etc. We are still requiring Clothes for Children. Drop off any day this week before 11am for children’s vintage stall. Same spot as last fete, look for the yellow poster!

Lucky Dip Items! Wanted Urgently

Small items suitable for the Lucky Dip Stall. These items must be new or in new condition. E.g. Hair clips, small cars, note books, pens, pencils, stickers, bracelets or jewellery, playing cards. Please drop off any day this week before 11am.

Jam and Curd Making Weekend

Andrew Rasmussen’s famous Jam and Curd Making Session will be held at the school tuck shop on the weekend of the 18th/19th of July.

Exact date, time and details to come later.

We urgently need small to medium jars, with metal lids and labels removed. You may drop them off at the toy drop off any day morning before the end of term or you may leave them in the office.

Tea Towel and Apron Orders— Final Orders-19 June Please finalise all orders for Tea Towels and Aprons to the office by 19 June 2015. Order forms are still available at the office. Please pay by credit card or cash (please have correct money).

Fete Donations-Urgent

Looking for donations, cans of soft drinks and bottled water(600ml) to sell on Fete Day at various stalls and rides ticket booth.

Please contact Nyasha Mukandi nyashamukandi@gmail.com, 0458 675 879 or Rachel Kendrick, rachel@intothelimelight.co.uk

Guess the M&M’s in the jar?

Year 3/4F are holding a fundraiser for the Fete. Guess how many lollies are in the jar. Guesses are 25 cents each. The Jar will be outside the Library on Friday morning (Near the banking area). So far 3/4F have raised $35.50. Thanks to Elise and Hudson for their help.

Contact -Karen Ridoutt 0412 004 644