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NEWSLETTER

NEW FARM STATE SCHOOL

The School's Vision
"Learn, Create, Grow"

Monday
20 July, 2015

Diary Dates Term 3 2015	
Wed 22 July	Mini Festivals (Science, Writers, Thinkers)
Sun 26 July	School Fete 10 am-4pm
Tues 28 July	Shine Heat 1 1.20pm
Wed 29 July	Mini Festivals (Science, Writers, Thinkers)
Thurs 30 and Friday 31 July	City District Track and Field
Wed 12 Aug	EKKA Public Holiday
19-21 Aug	Emu Gully Year 5 Camp
24-28 Aug	Book Week
Fri 28 Aug	Book Week Dress up Day
27-31 Aug	Life Ed Van Year 3-6

ICAS Tests	Years 3-6
Tues 28 July	English 7.45am
Tues 11 August	Maths 7.45am

**Banking will resume
Friday 24 July Week 2 of
Term 3. Outside the Library**

From the Principal's Desk.....

One who understands much displays a greater simplicity of character than one who understands little. Alexander Chase.

Social Skills– This week's lesson "Don't Pop My Bubble" which fits our school rule "Be Respectful" will be presented by Ms. Julie Turner's Prep 1/T class. Assembly Friday 9.00am in hall.

Interhouse Athletics- Individual placegetters in all the events for the Prep – 2 and Senior carnivals were awarded on parade last Friday. Congratulations to all the children for making the days so enjoyable through their great attitude and behaviour on each day!

Age Champions for 2015 are:

9 Years (born 2006) – Ava and Eli

10 Years (born 2005) – Amelia and Noah

11 Years (born 2004) – Frankie and Mali

12 Years (born 2003) – Bella and Blake

Champion House for 2015 is **MERTHYR**.

Hall Fans-The P&C has very generously funded the purchase of two large fans for the Hall. These were installed over the holidays. Our sincere thanks go to the P&C. We can't wait for the warmer weather to arrive to try them out!

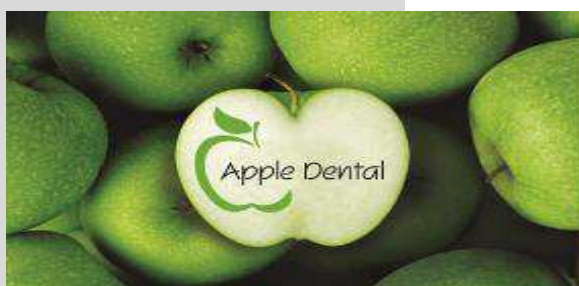
Fete Update– Sunday 26 July 10am-4pm. Please take the time to promote our school fete this week. Please remind students of the performances on the day. Ride bands can be purchased via flexischools or at school this week. Don't forget your entries in the Best of New Farm competition. Our biannual fete is a wonderful event for the whole community. I hope to see you there supporting our school and students. Please take the time to also thank your fete reps and parents reps for their phenomenal involvement leading up to the day.

Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)- Prep teachers will be involved in gathering and inputting student data for the national collection over the next fortnight. Letters were sent home on Friday. Please inform the office by Tuesday 21 July if you want your child's information to be excluded from the census.

District Athletics -Thursday 30 and Friday 31 July– All students selected have been given their information and permission forms. City District Track and Field Championships are on **Thursday 30 July and/or Friday 31 July, 2015 at Bowden Park, Maidencombe St Geebung.** Please complete and return your forms to school by Tuesday 21 July 2015.

Prep Enrolments 2016– Prep enrolment packs are available at the office now. We are now accepting enrolments for Prep 2016. We are a catchment based school. To check whether you are in our catchment please see the website. <http://www.gqso.qld.gov.au/maps/edmap/>

Mini Festivals (Writers, Science and Thinkers)- Wednesday 22 and Wednesday 29 July. Thank you to Ms Jenny O'Neill for organising all the activities for students in Year 4-6. The feedback from students has again been wonderful and a great opportunity for their extended learning.



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KIDS' S.T.E.M. CONVENTION

2015 Theme: "Illuminating S.T.E.M." International Year of Light

Inspiration Investigation Celebration- Last Friday, 18 July New Farm students from Years 5 and 6 attended a full day conference experience conducted at the University of Queensland St Lucia campus. The students were inspired by a key note address delivered by a prominent figure from the scientific community; led through the steps required to conduct rigorous scientific inquiry and participated in two workshops. A big thank-you is extended to Brett Wilson, SueChe Dorante, Adam Gray and Jenny O'Neill for attending the conference with the children.

Meredith's Art Exhibition- Our Artist in residence Meredith is holding her "Drawn From Life" exhibition at Jugglers Art Space, Fortitude Valley from 24 July (opening 6-9pm) through til Wednesday 29 July. Best of luck Meredith.

Premiers Reading Challenge - Return forms by 28th August

The Premier's Reading Challenge is not a competition but a way to encourage students to develop a love of reading for life. Through the challenge children and students are given an opportunity to develop their appreciation of the English language and are encouraged to explore and enjoy a wide range of literary texts.

Forms were sent home with students in May, however if you require a new form, please see the class teacher or Mrs. H in the library. **Forms should be completed and returned to the library before 28th August, so that children can receive their Certificate of Completion from the Premiers Office.**

READ-A-THONS

Celebrating Book Week and supporting Multiple Sclerosis Support Services.

This year we celebrate Book Week with a Read-A-Thon. The students start by setting a goal of how many books/units they would like to read. They can start collecting sponsors and donations as soon as possible, then during Book Week from Monday 24th August, students aim to reach their reading goal. They collect their sponsorship money and/or donations and **return money to the office by Friday 11th September. \$50 gift vouchers to be won. Dress up day will be held Friday 28th August. A gold coin donation for dress-up day will be donated to the MS Read-a-thon.**

Entries for participation in the MS Read-a-thon can be obtained from Mrs. H in the library. Information and gift for participation will be given to your child. Books read throughout the month of August count for both read-a-thons as well as the Premiers Reading Challenge. So a HUGE month of reading ahead and in this cold weather, why not snuggle up with a book and read together!

Mrs. H. Teacher Librarian

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.

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

Shine 2015— Can you sing, dance or play a musical instrument? Shine is open to students in Year 3-6 who wish to perform an item for the whole school. Shine will be held at lunch times during Term 3. The performance may be solo or a group item. Please choose one of the categories. Entry forms are available from the office. There will be 5 heats held at school. The first heat is Tuesday 28 July.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY AT NFSS.

Banking will resume Friday 24 July

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-9.30am.

Parenting ideas website:

This weeks article is—

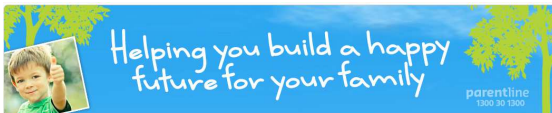
“Keep kids safe in public with these 5 ideas.”

It has been attached to the email



Fete Stall- Come see Place at our stall. We are running two competitions for the kids throughout the day!

There will be a colouring in competition, the winner will get a visit to Bounce to use with 4 friends, or Guess how many balloons are in the Place Mini to win \$200 to spend at 99 Bikes. See you all on the day!



PARENTLINE-Building stronger families with free counselling to parents via phone and web chat.

<http://www.parentline.com.au/>

Parentline- 1300 30 1300
everyday from 8am-10pm

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Water Polo Queensland invites all budding and aspiring Water Polo players to attend its 2015 Come 'N' Try Open Day. Join us at the Centenary Aquatic Centre (Gregory Tce, Spring Hill) on August 2 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm, for some fun Water Polo activities, skills and drills.

The event will be a great opportunity to meet local Brisbane Clubs, make new friends and learn some new skills. All stations are run by Water Polo Queensland staff, accredited coaches and volunteers.

Feel free to turn up on the day, otherwise register your interest with Water Polo Queensland via SurveyMonkey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QWVTZLW>

There will be cool giveaways on the day with a free BBQ in the afternoon.

EVENT DETAILS

Date: August 2nd 2015

Location: Centenary Aquatic Centre – 400 Gregory Terrace, Spring Hill

Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

For any further questions please don't hesitate to contact events@waterpoloqld.com.au

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TUCKSHOP NEWS

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.

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 - 24th July

Tuckshop - Jamilah & Eleonora Ginardi

Counter - Michelle Lovelle

Baking - Mehera Milne, Nikki Mortimer, Michelle Logan, Sarah Millar & Iris Stacey

Thank you,
Terri-Anne & Jin

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Respect Yourself Respect Others Respect Property

Social Skills

Don't Pop My Bubble

Focus:

To ensure students understand 'put downs' are hurtful and that everyone has their own personal space which should be respected.

Looks Like

- Students giving each other space (personal space is an individual choice)

Sounds Like

- Students using words of encouragement to acknowledge strengths and achievements
- Students not accepting 'put downs' by others
- Students reminding others of their need for 'space'

Feels Like

- Being respectful
- Knowing everyone has different personal needs
- Understanding that we all have strengths to be proud of and limitations that we are aware of.

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Queensland Police Service is proud to support *Emergency+*, Australia's national emergency app which has been endorsed by state and territory governments. The app, which is free of charge, allows callers to pinpoint their location via their smartphone's GPS functionality and verbally provide emergency operators with these details.

Links to download the app can be found at emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au

NFSS FETE—Sunday 26 July 2015

You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram:

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Our website <http://newfarmfete.com.au/>

Second Hand Books- Donation have now closed.

Children's Vintage Stall– Donations have now closed. Contact -Karen Ridoutt (ridoutt@optusnet.com.au or 0412 004 644)

Ride Passes- Buy your Rides Day Passes early for discounted rates, online on flexischools, or in person before and after school on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday outside the school hall.

3RJ Country Kitchen Stall – Calling out for donations of home made cakes and biscuits. There will also be a Cake Box Decorating competition. Please contact Sam Bryce (sambryce153@gmail.com), Gill Penrose (Gillian@epequip.com) or Melanie Fletcher (Melaniefletcher@hotmail.com) with any queries.

Raffle Tickets - Extra raffle booklets in the school office.

Fete Program – Please find the link to the program for events on the day <https://newfarmss.eq.edu.au/Supportandresources/Formsanddocuments/Documents/Fete%20Program%202015.doc>

Large items to Donate– Drop off Friday 24 July 3pm-7pm outside the Hall.

Think about what you'll enter in the **Best of New Farm**. Entries are free and the more we get the more fun it is!

Fruit and Veg-Best quality produce ,Biggest produce (by type)
Oddest fruit or vegetable – either strangely shaped or rare

Baking -Most delicious cake ,Best decorated cake

Preserves-Tastiest sweet preserve ,Tastiest savoury preserve

Handicraft- Open – any craft or handiwork (This is likely to be a big section so we're planning to allocate a range of prizes for different types of work, depending on what we get)

Children's categories-Decorated cupcakes, Interesting mini garden, Coolest scarecrow ,Open craft (this can be pretty much anything as long as you create it yourself!).

Deliver your entry to the school hall 2-4pm on Saturday 25 July or 7.30-8.30am Sunday 26 July (fete day).

For the entry form or more info visit newfarmfete.com.au or for more information contact Helen on 0410 541 997.



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