



NEWSLETTER

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NEW FARM STATE SCHOOL

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

Monday

17 August, 2015

Diary Dates	Term 3 2015
Tues 18 Aug	Shine Heat 3
Wed 19 Aug	P&C Meeting
19-21 Aug	Emu Gully Year 5 Camp
24-28 Aug	Book Week
Tues 25 Aug	Shine Heat 4
Thur 27 Aug	Yr 3, 3/4F City Hall
Fri 28 Aug	Book Week Dress up Day
27-31 Aug	Life Ed Van Year 3-6
Tues 1 Sept	Prep-2 Braveheart's Session
8-10 Sept	2016 Prep Interviews
15 Sept	2016 Prep Interviews
8-11 Sept	Yr. 6 Canberra Camp
Tues 8 Sept	Shine Grand Final
Fri 18 Sept	Last Day Term 3

Camp Payments Due
Year 6 Canberra Trip-Final payment due Fri 21 August.

**Banking Friday 21 August
Week 6 of Term 3. Outside
the Library**

From the Principal's Desk.....

I am always more interested in what I am about to do than what I have already done. Rachel Carson.

Social Skills– This week's lesson "Recognise React Report" which fits our school rule "Be Safe" will be presented by Dr. Carmel McGrath as part of our Student Safety lesson under the Daniel Morcombe Foundation's message. Assembly Friday 9.00am in hall.

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.qgso.qld.gov.au/maps/edmap/>

Prep Interviews for 2016– Our Prep interviews are being held on Tuesday 8– Thursday 10 September and Tuesday 15 September. There are vacancies on all of these days. Please telephone the office to arrange your interview time or select a time when you drop in your enrolment forms.

Prep Open Day—Wednesday 27 October 9-11am. All our new enrolments are welcome to come along and visit our wonderful prep environment and meet our dedicated teachers. More information to follow in coming newsletters.

Emu Gully Year 5 Camp– Wednesday 19-Friday 21 August. Thank you to our teachers Mr Brett Wilson, Mr Kent Rainbow, Mrs Rachel Fletcher and two of our teachers aides who will accompany our students on the camp. All plans are now finalised and ready for our departure on Wednesday. Students need to be at school at 7.30am on Wednesday and meet on the Netball Court. Please make sure your child is on time as buses are scheduled to leave on time at 8.15am. If your child is bringing any medications they need to be checked in with Mr Brett Wilson. If you have any further questions leading up to the camp please contact your class teacher.

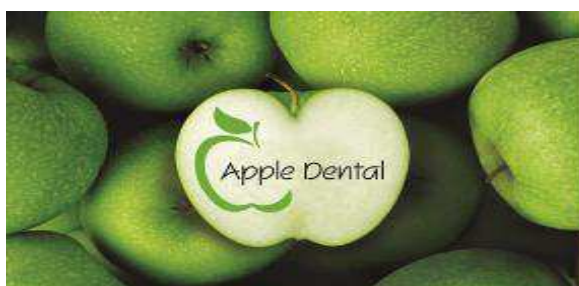
Lockdown Drill-(Rescheduled) Tuesday 18 August. Teachers will talk through the procedure of the lockdown with the students. We schedule these drills as part of our workplace health and safety practices.

Life Education Van 2015– Thursday 27 August—Monday 31 August. Letters will be coming home shortly with students in Years 3-6 to attend the learning sessions in the Life Education Van. Please find attached to today's newsletter the current brochure for Life Education.

Learning Walks– I have been conducting my regular learning walks with all classes. These are a great opportunity to visit students in their classrooms and ask questions of the students. This time we are focusing on what students are learning, how they can improve and what do they do when they need help. Thank you to the teachers for allowing us into your classrooms.

Absent from School– Please continue to telephone or email the office for each day your child is absent from school. Office 3358 7333 or admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au By Law we cannot have any unexplained absences.

Year 3 and Year 3/4F Brisbane City Hall Museum Excursion- Thursday 27 August 2015. The Year 3's are currently working on a unit of history relating to the roles of people with diverse backgrounds and how they develop and change the local community. Students will be receiving a letter this week . Please sign your permission and return this to the office with your money by Monday 24 August.



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Playground Areas and First Aid procedures– Teachers will be reminding students prior to each break on the rotation of Play Areas each day. Students are reminded to only play in their areas. Students who are injured or are in need of First Aid during playtime must see a staff member on duty and obtain a First Aid card before coming to the office to receive treatment. When the bell has gone after playtime students still need the permission of a staff member before going to the First Aid room.

Helping your Child with Their Creative Writing

The ability to take one idea and develop it in an interesting and entertaining direction is something that some children enjoy and others dread. Many children set off writing without knowing where the story is going. This can lead to frustration a few lines later. As a parent, how can you help your child enjoy creative writing?



Help your child resist diving in at the deep end. Ask them to plan in a way that make sense to them. **Brainstorming** – putting all the ideas down and then linking and ordering them. Using a **Storyboard** – drawing pictures illustrating the main events of the story. **Walking the Story** – walking along a line (wool or chalk works well) pausing at the main events and getting to an end point. **Acting it out** – this can help children link the scenes they have dramatised to paragraphs they write later.

Encourage your child to start at the end! Talk about different possible endings; an ending could resolve action or show character development. Keeping the ending in mind, can help a writer during the writing process.

Often young writers want to start their story with their character waking up and end it with them going to bed. All the details of having breakfast, brushing teeth, getting in the car etc. can be boring to write *and* boring to read. Encourage your writer to stick to the action.

At New Farm, we encourage our students to be creative and to take risks with their writing. Using strategies such as these, we hope to develop their confidence and love of writing.

Kay Bradley – Master Teacher

Library News – Bookweek - Books light up our world.

As part of our reading program, we encourage children to participate in various reading activities to broaden their enjoyment of reading for pleasure. In conjunction with Bookweek 24 – 28 August, children will be holding a shadow puppet show during second breaks, based on some of the short listed books. This provides children with an opportunity to explore the meaning of the text, further enhancing their enjoyment of listening and participating in reading.

A reminder too for children to dress-up on Friday 28 August as a book, fairytale or movie character. A gold coin donation for dress-up day will be donated to the MS Readathon.

Mrs. H. Teacher Librarian

BigFish LittleFish Swimming– Jo from Bigfish Littlefish is giving one lucky person a chance to win swimming lessons for the term for as little as \$1. As part of the Fete fundraising she is running a Guess The Lucky Number competition.

There is a pre chosen number (picked from an outside party) somewhere between 1 and 500. All you need to do is pay \$1 per guess or have 6 guesses for \$5. Write your name next to a number not yet chosen and if you get the right number you WIN. Jo will have a table set up near A Block in the afternoons until 3.20pm. Prize is valued at \$150

Contact—Jo Keehan 0414 486 767

SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY AT NFSS.

What a great week of banking. 79 Students making deposits for this week..

We have a wonderful backpack which is jam packed full of goodies for you to win. Each deposit puts you in the draw to win this fantastic prize. 4 Weeks of banking left to enter. Drawn 18 September, last assembly.

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.



COME AND TRY DATE 2015

We are holding our 'Come and Try' Day for New Athletes on **Saturday 22 August 2015** at 1.30pm.

The cost is \$10 which is then credited to the registration fee if you join.

This is an opportunity to try Little Athletics which includes events such as Sprints, Middle Distance, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus and High Jump. All the events that children compete in school athletics and more! This exciting season of athletics runs from September 2015 to March 2016 (with a break over Christmas).

All level of athletes, aged from 5 years up to 17 years are welcome to attend the 'Come and Try' Day.

For further information visit our website
www.citynorthlas.asn.au

Children's Vintage Stall— If you loaned the children's stall a clothes rack for the fete, please call Karen Ridoutt 0412 004 644 so it can be returned.

Little Market Stall—Elise R is fundraising for NFSS Little Farm. We are hoping to raise enough money to buy materials for a new chicken coop. We are holding our first stall this Friday 21 August after school . If you would like to help by baking for the stall it would be most appreciated. Contact Karen 0412 004 644

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TUCKSHOP NEWS

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 - 21st August

Tuckshop - Jamilah, Eleonora Ginardi & Gabriela Giampietro

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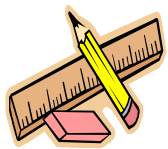
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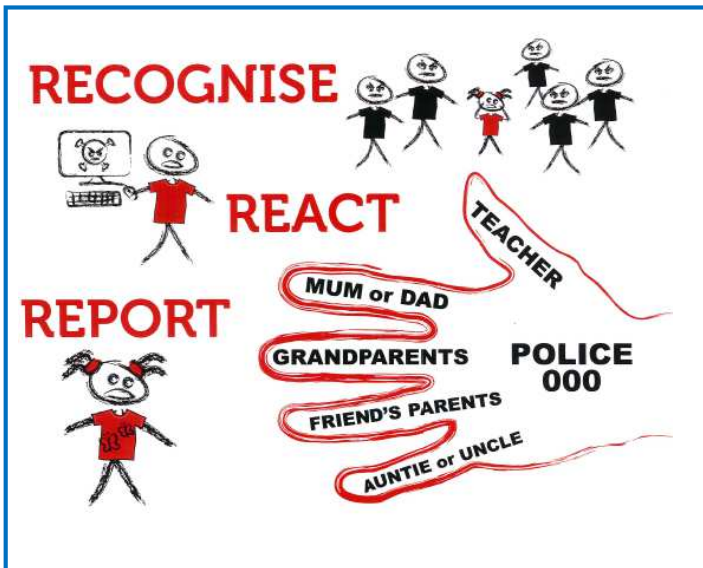
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Social Skills

Be Safe



Looking for a holiday with a difference this coming September / October? Try this!

Farmers associated with Buy a Bale, the campaign helping drought affected communities in QLD and NSW are offering up their farms so you and your family can come and see what drought looks like and have a Farm Holiday.

Our rural towns and hundreds of farmers are doing it tough and your visit could make all the difference. You never know, you might just make some new friends.

Throw a tent in the car with sleeping bags, grab some marshmallows and a tin of Milo and take your family out west and have a ball.

Check out the great properties available at www.underthestars.com.au

Bigfish Littlefish - Learn to swim. Our swim season is about to start and we are excited to be getting back in the pool.

We offer classes from beginner through to advanced swimmer.

Classes run Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons from 3pm and Saturday mornings from 9am.

Our classes are structured into skill based groups students are placed in classes based on their water ability. Classes are capped at 4-(beginner swimmer) , 5-(intermediate swimmer),6 (advanced Swimmer) and 8 for our Mini Squad swimmers.

Classes run for 30min blocks or 45 min for Mini squad. While we teach format based skills dependent on levels we also encourage individual ability and development ensuing each students needs are met so they are swimming to their full potential.

Booking / Payment Systems-We work on a same day booking system.

You will need to book in on the day you wish to have your lessons.

Bookings will be taken on Monday 31 Aug, Tuesday 1 Sep, Wed 2 Sep, Thurs 3 Sep, Fri 4 Sep. Saturday bookings are open now and can be made over the phone.

Bookings will be taken on the grounds of New Farm State School from 3pm on each of the dates mentioned above. (POOL AREA). Swimming fees are \$150 for 10 week term. Payment options are -Bank deposit, Paypal - credit/debit card or cash.

Payment **MUST** be made on or within 7 days of booking or extra fees will apply.

Contact -Jo Keehan 0414 486 767

NFSS General Awards—Congratulations to the Term 3 week 4 recipients

General Classroom Awards-

Prep W– Lachlan

Prep N– Quinn, Nina

5D– Sofia, Benoit, Cole, Kunal, Jack, Annie

5/6W– Raihan, Connor

Social Skills Awards.

5/6W– Erin



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