From the Principal's Desk……

However brilliant an action may be, is should not be accounted great when it is not the result of a great purpose. François de la Rochefoucauld.

Social Skills— This week’s assembly will be conducted by Mrs. Wendy Macgregor and Mrs. Fairley Stanley’s 1FW class. This week’s Social Skill lesson is “I’ll Pull My Own Strings”. from our school rule of Be Responsible.

Year 6 Graduation Dinner—Wednesday 9 December. 6pm - 8.30pm. ANFE Italian Club.10 Wyandra St Newstead. Grade 6 Students, Parents and Teachers all welcome.

Remembrance Day— Wednesday 11 November. Students will discuss the importance of this special day with their teachers. Students will then pause for the minute silence at 11am.

P & C Meeting—Wednesday 11 November at 7.30pm in the school library. All members of the school community are most welcome to attend.

School Disco— Friday 13 November. 6pm– 8.30pm. The entry fee is $2 per child. This is a New Farm State School only event. All children attending must be accompanied by an adult. No child is permitted to be dropped off and picked up at a later time. Thank you to staff who have already volunteered to help with supervision. Parents please be aware that all children are to remain in the enclosed area for the duration of the disco. Colouring competition entries completed by Friday 20 November. There will be prizes for Best Dressed.

Project Captains for 2016— We are pleased to announce the successful applicants for Project Captains. I was extremely pleased and impressed how the students conducted themselves during the process. It always wonderful to see students talking pride in themselves and their school. Media Project Captains- Luca and Gibson. Arts and Performance Project Captains- Freya and Elyse. Community and Charity Project Captains– Bronte and Brittany.

Arts Centre Official Opening— Friday 27 November. 9.30am-10.30am(After Assembly). We would like to extend an warm welcome to the school community to view our wonderful new facilities. Thank you to the P & C committee for hosting this event. If you wish to attend please RSVP to admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au. Please attention Arts Centre Official Opening in the subject line.

P & C Trivia Night— Saturday 21 November.7.30pm. Please book your tables now!

Starting School 2016– Wednesday 27 January 2016. A new start date for the Queensland school year will see students return to classrooms Wednesday 27 January after the Australia Day Public Holiday.

Change of Details— We are again approaching our reporting period in preparation for sending end of year report cards. Please make contact with our school Administrative staff if any of your details have changed. We will be sending our reports via email to the same address as the weekly newsletter. Please email admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au. Please use Change of Details in the subject line. We will again be sending a test email. We will keep you informed as to when this will happen.
Student Intentions 2016 - Each family would have received a letter of intention for your child for 2016. Please return this letter to the office as a matter of urgency. If you do know that your children will not be attending New Farm State School in 2016 could you please let the office know as soon as possible, by email to admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au

Uniform Shop– Our School Uniform Shop is now open Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 8am-9.30am till the end of the year.

Brainways-Last week, three of our Year 4 students, Alexandra, Jaye and Elyse participated in the Quest Competition which is organised by Brainways Education and Griffith University. The competition runs over two days where the students work together as a team and compete against other school teams. On the first day, the teams prepared for their challenges which focused on Mathematics, Science and the Humanities. On the second day, each team was judged on their creativity, problem solving, team work and leadership skills.

We would like to congratulate Alexandra, Jaye and Elyse for their engagement with learning, showing deep interest in the topic, an excellent positive attitude and responding very well to challenge, as well as showing resilience and motivation to succeed. Well done!

City Clusters Leadership Programs 2015-At the beginning of each year, student leaders from the Brisbane City Cluster of schools gather for a two day seminar at Kelvin Grove State High School. Several Kelvin Grove State High School Year 11 students were assigned to mentor the group of leaders from every school in the City Cluster.

We met with these mentors over the year and they proved to be an invaluable source of assistance for the duration of the project. The idea of this venture is for each school to design and develop a project that leaves a legacy behind for future students of the school. The Project Captains decided to create a ‘Year Tree’ mural which connects with the New Farm Graduation tree.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC RECRUITING FOR 2016- Each child in year 3 has recently been given an “Expression of Interest 2016” notice to take home. If you wish your child to be considered for the Instrumental Music program next year please respond accordingly by Wednesday 11 November 2015. Copies of the notice are available from the school office and you can contact our Instrumental Music Mr McIntyre with any questions on his work email: cmcin13@eq.edu.au

Hot Weather-Please take care during the hot weather and remember for students and staff– think carefully about the time you plan outdoor activities, seek shaded areas, wear broadbrim hats, sunscreen, sunglasses and drink plenty of water to stay hydrated.

Around the Classrooms– 2C is experimenting with putting coloured ice in water. They are observing if the ice gets higher or lower in the water. 2C think this is really fun but the food colouring is a bit messy. The colours chosen are green, red and yellow. They have been researching this experiment for two weeks. Their experiments have taken place over three days. 2C have had lots of fun. Written and Photographed by George 5/6W.

Around the Classrooms– 5D are working on a comparison of Storm Boy the novel and the motion picture. Annie, Noah and Emily are focusing and discussing the book. Annie thinks that the book is better than the movie because it has more details to get involved with the story. 5D is working very hard on their reports. Annie’s favourite part of both the book and the movie is when Storm Boy finds the baby pelican.

Written and Photographed by Olivia and George 5/6W
SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY AT NFSS. Congratulations we had 91 deposits last week. Reminder to all students to collect prizes the following week. Please store your tokens in your bank books so our helpers can check your totals. Students who fill in their own bank books are eligible for a prize.

Thank you to our wonderful helpers Kim, Jenny, Nadine, Teniell, Wendy and Rachel.

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

UNIFORM SHOP
Opening hours Tuesday and Wednesday. 8am-9.30am.

Bigfish Littlefish will be running intensive swimming programs throughout the December - January holidays.

Intensive are a great way to develop new skill or build on already existing ones.

Class will be offered to none or beginner swimmers through to advanced.

The program is developed so that each day we will have focus areas - this helps break down skills into sections e.g. legs, arms, core strength & breath control and then bring them all together by the end of each day’s session. Results by the end of the week are fantastic and student will achieve newly developed water skill or strengthen existing ones.

Please call Jo with any further questions or to make a booking. Ph: 0414 486 767

ON LINE ORDERING
To order online 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 - 13th November
Tuckshop - Jamilah, Gabriela & Gillian Penrose
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Baking - Jennifer Brock, Sue Fuller, Dimity Williams, Michelle Logan, Bec Litchfield & Marie Warren

Thank you,
Terri-Anne & Jin

Assembly Awards – Term 4 Week 5.
Congratulations to our award recipients.
Prep N– Liam and Charlotte
1FW– Ashar, Harvey, Elyse and Pippa
5D– Benoit, Cole, Harper and Sylvia

C&K Kindergarten at Paddington still have some vacancies for children born between 1st July 2011 and 30th June 2012 for our 2016 Kindy year.

Please telephone 3369 5460 with any queries.

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Respect Yourself  
Respect Others  
Respect

Social Skills

I Pull My Own Strings

Focus:
Students know that they are in charge of the decisions they make and for the consequences that may result from their choices. No-one can make you do what you don't want to do. You are responsible for "pulling your own strings".

Looks Likes
- Following the school rules
- Students identifying when a situation is leading towards their "strings being pulled"
- Students walking away from situations where a rule may be broken.

Sounds Like
- Saying "no" and giving a reason why
- Happy safe play

Feels Like
- In control of self
- Knowing what's right and wrong and wanting to make good choices

Thank you: Have you volunteered your time in our school this year? We greatly appreciate your help and want to say thank you. Please come along to our volunteer thank you morning tea.

When: Thursday 19th November 2015 (week 7)
Time: 10:45am - 11:30am
Where: Outside of the library
RSVP: Monday 16th November (week 7) via email to Viv at the office admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au

(Make sure to write Volunteers Morning Tea in the Subject line when replying) We look forward to seeing you there.

MOTOR CO-ORDINATION #5

The following commercial games are beneficial in the development of fine motor skills.

COMMERCIAL GAMES
- Pick up Sticks.
- Barrel of Monkeys.
- Yo-yo.
- Spirograph.
- Origami (instruction books)
- Chinese checkers.
- Draughts, Chess.
- Jacks and knuckles.
- Games – Ludo, Snakes and Ladders, Pin the tail on the Donkey
- Interlocking toys.
- Constructions sets, construction blocks, Lego, meccano etc.
- Twister
- Jigsaw puzzles.
- Dominoes.

A child may have the hand strength required to perform a task, but his eyes may not be able to follow the activity.

BOOKFAIR 24 – 27 November 8.30 – 4pm

This event is for 4 days only. New books for sale in the library. Prices from $4.

Just in time for Christmas. Excellent quality books under $10. Pay by cash, eftpos, credit cards or cheque. A wholesaler sources books from all over the world for this Bookfair. They are not the books offered by Scholastic Bookclub. So put the dates in your diary, start saving up those chores for the children to do for pocket money, or purchase and put away for Christmas presents. The school receives a very generous commission on all books sold, so your support would be greatly appreciated.

Narelle Hoelzl
Teacher Librarian

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Be Responsible
Be Safe
Be a Learner

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