



NEWSLETTER

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NEW FARM STATE SCHOOL

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

Monday
14 March 2016

From the Principal's Desk.....

Character is the real foundation of all worthwhile success. John Hays Hammond.

Social Skills– Each week at our Friday assembly a class is allocated one of our Social Skill Lessons. They are all based on our school rules. This week's Social Skill will be presented by Mr. John Rafter from 6R. The lesson is from our school rule of Be Responsible. The Social Skill is "Let's Take A Stand Against Bullying". Our assembly is on Friday at 9am in the school hall. All welcome.

School Photos– **Tuesday 15 March.** Please see below the timetable for our school photos. All payments are now due, please ensure you have returned your forms to the office.

Time	Class/Group
8.00am-8.40 am	Sibling Photos in Hall
8.10am	Staff Photos
9.00am	1/2T
9.15am	1B
9.25am	1FW
9.40am	Prep B
9.55am	Prep N
10.10am	Prep R
10.20am	2C
10.35am	2G
First Break 11.00-11.40	
11.45am	3M
12.00noon	3F
12.15pm	5D
12.25pm	4D
12.40pm	4F
12.50pm	5W
Second Break 1.15-1.55pm	
2.00pm	6R
2.00pm	6C

ICAS–Important information.

Please be aware the Writing Competition on Monday 16 May and Spelling Competition on Wednesday 18 May are \$17.00 Each. We apologise for the error in the previous letter. Please return your expression of interest by Friday 18 March.

Diary Dates	Term 1 2016
Tues 15 March	School Photos
Tuesday 15 March	P&C Meeting 6pm in Library
Wed 16 & Thurs. 17 Mar	Prep Excursion. Sensitivity Unit
Fri 18 Mar	Let's Take A Stand Against Bullying
Fri 18 Mar	School Banking Last Week of Banking for the Term
Mon 21 Mar	Harmony Day. Wear Orange. Gold coin donation
Mon 21 Mar	Swimming Program Monday and Wednesday as per class timetable
Tues 22 Mar	Yr 3 Incursion Looking at Living
Thurs 24 Mar	Last Day of Term 1
Mon 11 Apr	First Day Term 2
Fri 15 April	NFSS Interhouse Cross Country

Air Conditioners– A huge thank you to our wonderful P&C for all their efforts in the preparation, planning and of course with the funding to have our air-conditioning installed. Our Library, Prep Classrooms and B Block Classrooms have never been cooler. It's wonderful to have everyone comfortable and ready to learn.



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Swimming— There will be school swimming next week in Week 9.

Runners Club – Cross Country training

Training will be Tuesday and Thursday before school – arrive prior to 8.30 on the school oval – report to Mr Rainbow. Sessions will continue until early Term 2 (District trials).

City District Sports Calendar– Please find the following link to the website.

<https://metnorthschoolsport.eq.edu.au/Districtsports/city/Pages/City.aspx>

City District Tennis Trials (New Date)- Thursday 21 April 2016. Please see Mr Kent Rainbow for further details.

Cross Country (Friday 15 April)- The annual Interhouse Cross Country is on Friday 15 April. Mr Rainbow and students from Years 1 to 6 will walk the course in their PE lessons before the event.

Prep students will run around the oval. Those students born 2004-2007 who wish to trial for nomination to the District event on 3rd May will run a long course race (3km for those born 2004-2005 and 1.5km for those born 2006-2007). All other students will run a short course fun run of about 1km.

If you do not wish your child to participate please contact your child's Teacher.

For the distance of run to be achieved we need parents/carers to make themselves available to stand and monitor at checkpoints on the course. If you are able to assist, please contact the office. admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au

ICAS 2016– International Competitions and Assessment for Schools. Students in Years 3-6 are invited to Participate in Science, Writing, Spelling, English and Mathematics Competitions.

We are requesting an expression of interest for those students interested in participating. Please find attached to today email the full information letter with the full dates and costs.

The expression of interest closes Friday 18 March.

P&C Meeting-

Date : Tuesday 15th March, 2016

Time : 6pm

Venue : School library. All Welcome.

Please find attached to today's email the membership form for the P&C.

NFSS Fundraiser– Please support our new school fundraiser. The Entertainment Book gives you access to thousands of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for Brisbane's best restaurants and café's and attractions. A flyer will be sent home with all families today.

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P&C Election Day Fundraising Stall -Saturday 19 March 2016. Our P&C are running a sausage sizzle on election day. They are also requesting help with their Homebake Stall.

What the bake stall is looking for:

People to help out on the bake stall from 9am - 10am or from 12 - 1pm (we have some shifts already covered).

People to make home-made items to sell on the stall e.g. cup cakes, cookies, slices, savoury treats, gluten-free, banana bread. We will provide packaging (more information on that to come) and they will need to list ingredients.

Goods can be dropped off Friday afternoon or on Saturday morning.

Bakers and stall volunteers can contact Nikki Mortimer by email

mortimer.nikki@gmail.com.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

STUDENT BANKING — FRIDAYS OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY AT NFSS. Last week of banking for this Term. Friday 18 March 2016 at 8.15am-9am outside the library. We've had a wonderful week with 118 children make banking deposits .

Please collect any unclaimed prizes.

Please leave tokens in your bank book. These tokens cannot be shared with your siblings. Please contact our banking volunteers on a Friday if you have any questions regarding these tokens.

Apologies to the Year 1 children whose books were not returned to them last week. Thank you for your patience.

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

Bigfish Littlefish is running 2 more programs before the end of the season. Offering 1,2 or 3 classes per week for 5 weeks The aim is to promote development of water skills, fine tune stroke and achieve faster results.

Children from Jabiru are welcome and will be dropped off and picked up by jabiru carers.
Intensive program \$75
Accelerated program 1day \$75,
2days\$150
3 days \$200

Call Jo Keehan 0414486767

NFSS Swim Club— The last week of swim club is Monday 21 March 2016. Club will resume again in Term 4. We will be taking registration for club at the end of Term 3. Thank you to our new sponsor for Swimmer of the Week, La Macelleria Gelateria in Florence St Teneriffe for their delicious prizes.

Swimmers of the week—Trey K and William M

Most Improved Swimmers— Jaye L and Billy R

Community Education Program— Term 2 2016.

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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.

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.

COUNTER ORDERS

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. We do prefer you to order on line though as it is more efficient and saves you having to wait in line to place an order.

VOLUNTEERS

If anyone would like to volunteer to help out the tuckshop on a Friday, please come see me at the tuckshop on a Wednesday or Friday morning or email me at nfsstuckshop@hotmail.com. We need home bakers and help in the tuckshop preparing and serving food. It is a nice way to meet other people in the school and we welcome Mums, Dads and Grandparents.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - Friday 18th March

Tuckshop - Michelle Gerrard
Counter - Lyn Zollo

Baking - Dimity Williams, Nancy Cowell, Susie Levy, Sarah Millar and Sam Bryce

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Terri-Anne



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Social Skills

Let's Take A Stand Against Bullying

Focus:

Children realising that bullying is being deliberately hurtful when it is difficult for the other person to defend themselves and is repeated over time. Bystanders can help take a stand against bullying behaviour by reporting.

Looks Like

- A happy, peaceful school environment with no bullying behaviours taking place
- Students choosing to not put up with bullying behaviour

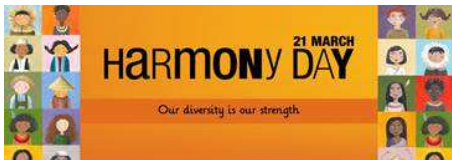
Sounds Like

- Everyone getting along
- Students reporting bullying behaviours if they see, hear or feel it

Feels Like

- A friendly place to be
- Student feeling safe to come to school
- Reporting bullying behaviours makes a nicer environment for all

Harmony Day- Monday 21 March (week 9) we will be celebrating Harmony Day . This year's theme for Harmony Day is **'Our diversity is our strength'**. It is a day to celebrate Australia's diversity and to stress the importance of social harmony. On the day students can wear **ORANGE CLOTHES/ACCESSORIES** or a **FAMILY NATIONAL COSTUME**. A fun activity will be completed in the classrooms.



Please bring a Gold coin donation to raise funds for the Media Committee.

Our concert band is made up of instrumental music students who have played their instrument for a year or more (years 5 and 6) and are deemed "musically ready". Year 4 students join the band once they enter year 5.

Rehearsal for this band is on every Wednesday morning in the music room unless I advise by email (or it is holidays of course). I aim to be there by 7:45am for an 8 o'clock start to music making. Lessons are on throughout the day for all year levels as usual as well.

The experience of making music in a large ensemble is the main goal of our program as it provides for a far greater musical education. Although we have no performances this term we are waiting for confirmation for a term 2 performance at the Education Queensland music festival "Fanfare" celebration. Advice will be given as soon as we know more.

Congratulations to Bronte, Nate and Sam on their successful busking efforts recently and thanks for chipping in to the programs budget.

Happy Music Making,
Mr Colin McIntyre -Senior Instrumental Music Teacher



Around the Classroom- Class 1FW enjoyed their swimming lesson this week. They also enjoyed games on the interactive white board and listened to many counting songs. They had PE with Mr Rainbow which was so much fun. The whole class love their reading groups as they read many books together. They had a relief teacher Mrs D that the kids were happy to welcome to New Farm.

Written by Joshua and Ryan 6C

Leadership Assembly—Our Leadership assembly was a great success. Everyone got their badges and wore them with a significant amount of pride. The Captains received their badges from our VIP guests; the honourable Teresa Gambaro, Grace Grace and Councillor Vicki Howard. Overall we had an unforgettable time and now all the Year 6 students can wear their badges with a great amount of pride.

Written by Luca and Gibson

Naturally great fun at Jabiru for the Easter holidays

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