New Farm State School

Community Spirit Award

Guidelines

There are many people in our school community (students, parents and staff) who spend countless hours volunteering and supporting a wide range of activities in a number of diverse communities. They demonstrate outstanding commitment to a local community.

The NFSS Community Spirit Award is about recognising and celebrating commitments such as:

- the spirit of giving back to the community;
- volunteering one’s time for others;
- raising awareness for healthier communities;
- being a positive community role model and leader;
- making a change in the community; and
- inspiring others to make a difference in their local community.

The award presents an exciting opportunity to acknowledge the NFSS students, parents and staff, who are using their skills to make our community a better place.

A school panel will select a number of award recipients who will be recognised at a special assembly in the last week of term 2. This will be an opportunity to shine the spotlight on some of the special contributions individuals or groups have made this year.

Who can you nominate?

Students, parents and staff/volunteers of New Farm State School

Criteria

- Participation/volunteering in a community project; or
- Fundraising for a community project; or
- Innovative giving to a community project; or
- Inspiring others to make a difference in their local community.
Community projects may include projects in our local school community to anywhere in Brisbane, Australia or overseas.

The projects may support a number of issues including, but not limited to:

- Environment and local community;
- Children and young people;
- Sport;
- People with disabilities;
- Older people;
- Arts and culture; and
- Disadvantaged groups such as homeless people.

These are just an example of some of the activities that people may be involved in:

- A student who regularly collects books and donates them to a charity that gives books to children in Papua New Guinea.
- A student who raises money from selling cakes or lemonade for a children’s hospital in Brisbane.
- A student who saved their pocket money and gave it to the Queensland flood appeal.
- A parent who volunteers for a local community group giving out food to homeless people in the Valley.
- A student who donates needed items for a children’s home in India.
- A parent who spends lots of time being involved with any aspect of the school including the Garden Club, Book Club, reading helpers, the P+C, fundraising, fete, Tuckshop, market stalls, Uniform Shop and sports etc.
- A teacher who coordinates the giving of food to people in need of a war zone.
- A teacher who raised awareness about a specific charity and invited special guests to develop awareness among students.

**Award categories:**

- group and individual;
- student/parent/staff;
- volunteering service;
- fundraising;
- innovative giving;

**Nominations:**

We encourage **you** to seek out those everyday **people around you** who do **extra-ordinary things** and nominate them for the NFSS Community Spirit Award in term 2.
NOMINATION FORM
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Nominations should be handed in at the school office or emailed to admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au by Friday 06 June 2014.

NAME OF NOMINATED PERSON/S: ____________________________________________________________

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PLEASE TELL US WHAT THEIR COMMUNITY PROJECT OR INVOLVEMENT IS:

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PLEASE TELL US WHY YOU HAVE NOMINATED THIS PERSON /S. WHAT QUALITIES HAVE THEY SHOWN:

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NAME SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BENEFITED AS A RESULT OF THIS WORK:

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NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING THE NOMINATION: ______________________________

We encourage you to also EMAIL OR SCAN 2 OR 3 PHOTOS OF THE NOMINATE PERSON with this application ideally showing some of their work for which they have been nominated.

(PLEASE PRINT NAME CLEARLY AND ADD CONTACT DETAILS. If a student at NFSS please write year level. Other nominating persons should record phone details.)