Important Dates to put in the diary

Friday 27th June  
Last day of Term—Early dismissal  2.30 pm

4th –6th July  
Newport Folk Festival—NLPS Performing 5th July at 1.00pm

Monday 14th July  
First day of Term 3

Tuesday 15th July  
Prep –2 Drama Incursion

Newport Lakes Primary School
THURSDAY 26TH JUNE 2014

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TERM DATES
2014

Term 2
22nd April - 27th June

Pupil Free Days
Fri 5th September
Mon 3rd November

Yard Duty Supervision
8.45 to 9.00am and 3.30 to 3.45pm

AWARDS

Congratulations to our award winners :-

Evelyn, Prep D  
Maddie, 3/4H  
Imogen, 2H

Heide, 5/6W  
Chloe, 5/6L  
Elisabeth, 2N

Kafa, 5/6S  
Kira, 5/6M  
Coco, 2R

Alesks, 1C  
Venu, 2R  
Darcie, 1O

Mia, 3/4G  
Minnow, Prep T  
Mohammed, 3/4O

Freya, 3/4M  
Sophia, Prep S  
Ben, Prep D

Henry, 2H  
James, 1C  
Ryland, 1L

Aliese, 1O  
Pat, 1O  
Jane, Prep T

Tiger, 2N  
Gabby, 1L  
Will, 1L

Wren, 2R  
Nour, 5/6M  
Ruby, 5/6L

Macyla, 5/6S  
Sebastien, 5/6W

We would like to wish the following students a very happy birthday.

Alexander, 2R  
Cody, 3/4H  
Jack, Prep S

Jojo, 5/6W  
Henry, 2H  
Lachlan, 3/4O

Emily, 2R  
Saffron, Prep S  
Farouk, 3/4H

Kitty, 2H  
Sindous, 5/6S  
Sarah, 2R

Lexi, 1L  
Xavier, 1O  
Grade, 5/6L

Khadiga, 2H  
Alyssa, 5/6W  
Annabella, 2H

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large collection of lunch boxes, tupperware containers, drink bottles and items of clothing. If you are missing any items please check the lost property box located near the office. At the end of the term these items will all be disposed.
Dear Parents,

**Friendship Bus Stop**  
At last Friday’s school assembly the new friendship bus stop sign and location was unveiled to all students, staff and parents. Placed in the quadrangle or 'quiet area' of the school grounds, the Friendship Bus Stop is a place where a child can go and find a friend to play with during a recess or lunch period.

The Friendship Bus Stop, is an initiative of the Junior School Council (JSC) to ensure that all students at Newport Lakes PS have a means of feeling connected and included whilst at school.  
I congratulate the JSC on such a wonderful idea and once again playing a leading role in helping to create an inclusive and safe school environment.

**Children’s Health** -  
We have had a number of recent reports from parents of children having cases of headlice and worms. Both lice and worms are very common conditions in all children and at all schools. No child, family or school is exempt or excluded from getting lice or worms but there are precautions and practices we can take to reduce the possibilities of it occurring.

Head lice have been around for many thousands of years. Anyone can get head lice.  
Head lice are small, wingless, blood sucking insects. Their colour varies from whitish-brown to reddish-brown. Head lice only survive on humans. If isolated from the head they die very quickly (usually within 24 hours).  
Children get head lice from direct hair to hair contact with another person who has head lice. Head lice do not have wings or jumping legs so they cannot fly or jump from head to head. They can only crawl.  
Many lice do not cause an itch, so you have to look carefully to find them.  
Head lice are found on the hair itself and move to the scalp to feed. They have six legs which end in a claw and they rarely fall from the head. Louse eggs (also called nits) are laid within 1.5 cm of the scalp and are firmly attached to the hair. They resemble dandruff, but can’t be brushed off.

Worms are one of the most common childhood conditions and are usually easily dealt with by over-the-counter medication. While there are many types of worms that can infect humans, the most likely culprit in children in Australia is the threadworm, a type of roundworm.  
Threadworms are spread by eating the eggs of the worm, which results in infestation. Because threadworms live in the intestines, they can be found in your child's poo. Threadworms are most likely to be spread to and by children who don't wash their hands thoroughly, because of their tendency to put their fingers in their mouths after scratching other body parts!

With the mid year holidays approaching, it may be an excellent opportunity of having a 'check up and service' of your children. A visit to your doctor, a close inspection of their hair and where required a 'family worming' may be worth considering.

We all lead very busy lives and sometimes it is difficult to do these things that we know we should do but cannot find the time to complete the tasks. The term breaks can be a good opportunity to set some time aside to undertake these tasks.

**Hazardous Material Labelling**  
As part of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development’s Health and Safety Management Plan, new Hazardous Material labelling will be installed at our school – as it will be in all Victorian government schools. The labels remind of visitors, in particular tradesman or contractors to contact school reception prior to undertaking any works at the school, to ensure they have up-to-date information from the school’s asbestos register.

Asbestos - which was used extensively in building materials in the past but is now banned - is considered safe unless damaged or in poor condition. The new labels form part of a comprehensive program to ensure Victorian government schools remain safe.

The school was recently audited to ensure that all asbestos material at Newport Lakes PS is in a safe condition and is well maintained. Inspections are conducted every 3 months to ensure that the school environment is continually and diligently maintained to be in a safe condition for all students and staff.

Worksafe has requested that the new labels are to be installed at the main gate entrance, reception, and all entrances into the school. The labels will be installed at Newport Lakes PS either later this week or over the school holidays.

From the principal ....
Building and Grounds Updates  The new double storey buildings will be delivered on site during early August. A fit out, connection of services and installation of the verandah and stairways will then take a further 4-6 weeks to complete. It is presently anticipated that the building will then be handed over to the school early in September. School Council will then be required to make a final decision on whether to remove the excess portable or keep it as another teaching space for our specialist programs e.g. Music / Physical Education.

The new lawn area between the MPR and Ross St. has been completed and will be given term 3 to establish before being available to use by the children sometime in term 4. An arborist will be engaged over the holidays to inspect and tidy up all our trees and a number of classrooms will receive new internal blinds and be painted.

Enrolling 2015 Preps We are currently taking enrolments for 2015 Preps. If you have a child that turns 5 before 30th April 2015, and would like to enrol them at Newport Lakes Primary School please contact the office to collect an enrolment form, alternatively, enrolment details and forms are available on the school website.

It is very important for our school planning purposes that we are aware of any siblings that may be enrolling in Preps next year. Also, if you believe your child may be transferring or re-locating to another school the earlier you can notify the school the greater you can assist the school in its forward planning and preparation.

Traffic Management  There has been an overall significant improvement in traffic management around the school leading to better traffic movement and safer streets for our children and families. We have seen an increase in the amount of children coming to school by means other than cars ( walking, bike, scooters) and most parents are observing the parking zones and driving correctly around the school. We are, however, still seeing a few parents ( and only a few) parking in residents’ driveways and also performing three point turns in Elizabeth St when dropping off or picking up their children. This action stops the flow of traffic and blocks up all the cars that are attempting to travel along the street and is very dangerous to pedestrians travelling along the footpath.

Parents should also note that in the ‘pick up/ drop off zones’, drivers are not permitted to leave their cars. Drivers are to pull up, safely let their children out of the car or pick them up and then drive away from the zone. This should be completed within 3 minutes. These zones are not provided for parking and waiting. The council traffic officers will again be patrolling our local schools early next term and they will be requested to target illegal three point turns and drivers using resident driveways for turning.

Parent Teacher Interviews  - It was very pleasing to see so many parents in attendance at parent teacher interviews conducted on Wednesday. These sessions are an invaluable source of information for both parents and teachers to ensure the ongoing progress of your children. If you were unable to make the interview, or would like further time to discuss an issue in regard to your child’s education, do not hesitate to contact the school’s office to organise a suitable day and time for an interview with your child’s teacher.

Contacting your Child’s Teacher (as per earlier newsletters) – If you have any concerns or would like to discuss a matter in regards to your child it is very important that you arrange to meet with your child’s teacher. This can be done in a number of ways including;

- Dropping in to the classroom before school (8.50-9.00am) Only suitable for brief messages.
- Arranging a meeting at a time suitable for both parties. This can be done by sending a note to the teacher, emailing the school (place teacher’s name in subject box) or leaving a message and contact details at the school office for the class teacher to contact you.
- Emailing the teacher (as above).

It is very important to your child’s education that there is always clear and direct communication between school and home.

I hope all families have an upcoming enjoyable and safe holiday. With my youngest son currently preparing for his Yr. 12 VCE work requirements and exams we will be spending most of the time at home. Possibly the occasional day trip may be on the cards.

I am certain Term 3 will be another very busy time and the two weeks rest will be an excellent way to prepare for the upcoming term.

David Moss
Principal
Yes the rumours are true!! There will be a fete at Newport Lakes Primary School in 2014!!

Save the date...

Friday 14 November 2014 3:30 – 8:30pm

Fete news...

Fete Stalls

The list of stalls is being finalised. Each class will have a fete stall to own and operate. We’re currently looking for stall coordinators. If you would like to be a stall coordinator please let us know!! We plan on advising all classes of their stall allocation 1st week in Term 3

Craft Stall

Yes, there will be a craft stall!! Items can be donated and there will be craft sessions to give you a chance to get involved. More information in Term 3

Books & Toys

Start putting aside your unwanted books and toys for the fete stall this year. We’ll start collecting them at the school in Term 4

Plant Stall

Green thumbs – it’s winter now but it will soon be spring. Our plant stall would appreciate any seedlings you can donate in Term 4

Entertainment

In true NLPS tradition we will have a stage – bigger and better than ever before. Well, it will at least be raised off the ground!! The rides will also be bigger and better than ever before, with all age groups catered for. Rides will be announced in Term 3. And ... wait for it ... this year we will also have side show alley with games of skill and chance for you to try your hand at.

2014 Fete will have the inaugural competitive exhibit. Open to children and adults alike, there will be categories for baking, craft, design and just plain quirky!!! Of course there will be prizes awarded. So get your creative on and show us how great you really are!!

We hope you are as excited as we are about the 2014 fete. Any suggestions, feedback or offers of help should be emailed to newportlakesps@edumail.vic.gov.au with Fete in the subject line.
School Council met on the 16th June. We were again impressed with the presentation from J.S.C. This time Tess Landry and Ned Warburton presented to us some of the projects J.S.C. are working on, these include:

- Re-arrangement of the seats in the yard to foster conversation and togetherness.
- In collaboration with the Facilities and Management sub-committee they are working on establishing and outdoor library on our new lawn area.
- J.S.C. will be placing a list of their duties in each classroom.
- The launch of the Friendship Bus Stop.

School Council would encourage all parents to check out the poster for the Friendship Bus Stop in the quiet yard. We thoroughly support this initiative that gives children a place to go if they can’t find a friend or feel a bit overwhelmed.

School Council has also endorsed our E-Smart Policy. This policy endeavors to make the NLPS community smart, safe and responsible users of technology. This policy will be on our website soon.

We hope you have had a chance to walk around the Multi-purpose Room and check out our new lawn area. Once the grass has had a chance to settle we hope this will become a lovely place for children to relax, read and chill out, Thank-you to all the parents and staff that have made this possible.
NLPS students will be performing at the
NEWPORT FOLK FESTIVAL
Saturday 5th July, 1:00-2:00pm, Market St Precinct (outside Bowls Club).

4th-6th July 2014 will be the 7th annual Newport Folk Festival !!!
This event is a fabulous weekend of family-friendly entertainment here in Newport. NLPS choir, band and prep students will be performing alongside other local singers and musicians. There will be lots of free events, and plenty of opportunities to participate in music-making activities. The aim is to create a truly great community festival in Newport.


HOBSON’S VOICE CONCERT - Sunday 10 August
The Newport Lakes Primary School Choir will again be participating in “Hobson’s Voice” – a unique program celebrating the human voice and hosted annually by the Hobson’s Bay City Council. Choirs from primary schools in Hobson’s Bay are offered workshops and rehearsals with Doug Heywood OAM and the program culminates in a concert of choirs at the Williamstown Town Hall. This event is a non-competitive showcase of local school choirs and generally is supported by an 800 strong audience. Participating children experience performing in a grand venue in their local community and working together in a large group choir format. Doug Heywood will visit our school to do a singing workshop with our choir to help them prepare for their performance.

2014 marks the 20th Anniversary of the amalgamation of Altona and Williamstown Councils to form the Hobson’s Bay City Council. The theme for this year is “Let’s Celebrate – our history, our culture, our city”. This year, for the first time, the Hobson’s Voice concert will be a FREE EVENT.

Choir members will receive further information via email

Teddy Bears 4 Timor

We are so excited to launch our Newport Lakes community knitting project for 2014. We will be knitting teddies to support Rotary’s Teddy Bears 4 Timor project. We will then hold a sponsorship day late in term 3 for Newport Lakes children to sponsor and name a teddy for $5, with all money raised being used to cover the freight costs for shipping medical and nursing supplies donated to Rotary to the Bairo Pite Clinic in Dili, Timor-Leste. The teddies are then given to sick children when they attend the clinic.

We are hoping to knit enough teddies so that each Newport Lakes family can sponsor a teddy if they choose. The teddies are simple and quick to knit and cheap to make, so please ask your friends and extended families to start knitting over the holidays. A pattern is included at the end of this newsletter or available for collection from the office.

Please see Laura Russell in the Art Room or contact Allana Arapakis, Parent Club representative on aarapakis@optusnet.com.au if you have any questions.
Dear Newport Lakes,

We have been part of the Newport Lakes community for a few years now and we feel very grateful for our time here. When we started looking for a primary school we were looking for a place where the girls would learn what it felt like to be part of something safe and special and bigger than us. We all found that at NLPS.

One of the reasons we think Newport Lakes is such a wonderful school is because of the incredible commitment of all of the staff. We can’t thank you enough for introducing Tully, Ellie and Zoe to the joys of learning and having a go, and for helping them create lots of memories that will be cherished.

The involvement of so many of the parents means that there is always something happening at school that binds the community together. That is something else we have loved about our time here and we would really like to thank everyone who makes these things happen – from the mother’s day breakfasts and cupcake stalls to trivia nights and music information evenings – the community at the school is wonderful and something of which to be proud! We will miss it terribly.

Each of us is richer for our time and experiences at Newport Lakes Primary School and we wanted to say thank you.

We will miss Newport Lakes, but thanks for having us.

Lots of love Zoe, Ellie, Tully, Matt and Mel Shanahan

(You can follow us at tworoads.net.au)

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News from the library

To our wonderful art teacher Laura Russell who made the library some very colourful cushion covers and our parents club who purchased the inserts we say a very big THANK YOU!

The children now have some comfy cushions to rest on whilst enjoying their visit to the library.

Thank you to the Halarakis Family for the significant Lego donation. This will be greatly appreciated by all the children during the coming cooler months!

**Book returns**

Could all library books please be returned to the library by tomorrow Friday 27/6/14

Thank you

Sharon Rodgers
Thank you to the Parents’ Club for buying headphones for all of the classrooms. That was really kind of you. Some of the Juniors have been using them for lots of things like reading groups on the iPads.

Some of the Seniors have been using them when they are independently working on their Ipads.

The Cupcake Stall to celebrate Newport Lakes Primary School’s Birthday was a huge success. Most cupcakes were sold at snack time and the few that were left were snapped up after school. A big thanks is due to Imogen O’Neill who coordinated this event despite it turning out to be an extremely busy week for her workwise. Hopefully, the excitement of the children at snack time was a fulfilling reward. Thanks are also due to the bakers who made the wonderful cupcakes. We were amazed at the variety and the number of cupcakes baked and are so grateful to have such generous families as part of our school community. We raised over $900.

Parent Club had an interesting meeting this week on the 24th of June. We discussed the School Fete, are completing the Parent Club Survey questions and are planning a social Movie Night for early next term. Look out for details about the Movie Night at the start of Term 3.

AUSSIE FARMERS DIRECT

Newport Lakes Primary School is registered with Aussie Farmers Direct and is eligible to receive 2% from the annual total spend for accounts that are linked to us. If you have an account with Aussie Farmers Direct it would be great if you could link your account. Please see their web site for how to do this: http://www.aussiefarmers.com.au/fundraising/customers/

Upcoming Events...

DON’S MUM AND DADS BIG NIGHT OUT: Friday 25 July, 8pm
This event is run by the DONs (Dads of Newport & surrounds). Parent Club are helping them to sell tickets. The DONs will provide $5 to our school for every ticket sold through us. The booking form is included in this newsletter. Please return your payment and the slip to the office or via your child’s classroom ASAP if you would like to attend this event. The DONs are a group of Dads who meet once a month. As their group expanded they have moved from being just a social group to one that helps the community out in a variety of ways. For more information about the DONs see https://www.facebook.com/dadsofnewport.

BBQ LUNCH: Friday 1 August
Parent Club are organizing an optional BBQ sausage lunch for the children. Order forms will be distributed to classes at the start of Term 3 so look out for these.
Community News/Events

Donations appreciated

Winter Appeal

Starting Over Dog Rescue require towels and blankets for rescue dogs.

We are also always in need of dog bowls, dog beds and dog food.

If you can assist in any way please contact Maryanne on 0421 331 917

Thank you SODR
www.startingoverdogrescue.org.au

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The A to Z of what you’ll find in 2014... apples bbq brekkie cherries dried fruit eggplant freerange eggs lamb beef goat garlic honey iced-cakes

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Produce, Art & Folk at The Substation

This month’s market dates are: 6th July & 20th July
9am - 1:00pm at The Substation, Newport
1st & 3rd Sundays of the month

The Substation Farmers Market is a couple of weeks away - so be sure to mark the July dates in your diary!

On the 6th July, our Vic farmers & producers will be bringing the food & produce, whilst Newport Folk Festival brings the music alongside the Substation Artists Market! What an amazing family day out!

Start the day right with a fancy egg & bacon roll, homemade crumpets with peanut butter, and coffee or hot chocolate! You’ll find all your seasonal fruit and veggie needs (Get a Vitamin C with orange, mandy & tangelos!). We have the best PR meats & eggs, great local wines & ciders, plus chocolates and cake for kids of all ages!

We look forward to seeing you down at the space behind the Substation building for another bustling market day! ATM on site, and atmosphere a plenty!

Get on board and join the weekly circuit of accredited REAL Farmers’ Markets!

MORE INFO: www.mfm.com.au 03 9419 0826 info@mfm.com.au
SCHOOL FUNDRAISER
AND ALL PROFITS ON NIGHT GO TO LOCAL CHARITIES

MUMS & DADS
BIG NIGHT OUT

$5
FROM EACH TICKET SALE GOES TO OUR SCHOOL

HOSTED BY
DADS OF NEWPORT & SURROUNDS

FRIDAY 25TH JULY 2014
8PM - 12.30AM
NEWPORT BOWLS CLUB

- LIVE BAND
- PHOTOBOOTH
- NIBBLES

- MEGA RAFFLE
- EPIC DONATED PRIZES
- DRINKS AT BAR PRICES

TICKETS
$20 PER PERSON
WITH $5 FROM EACH TICKET SALE GOING TO OUR SCHOOL

www.facebook.com/dadsofnewport

ORDER FORM: PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP & PAYMENT IN AN ENVELOPE TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR TO YOUR CLASSROOM TEACHER. CASH ONLY - NO CHEQUES!

Parent's Name(s): ___________________________ Class: ___________________________

How many ticket(s) you would like: Qty: ___________________________ $20.00 per ticket (per person). Total: $_________________________
"**Teddies 4 Timor**" Pattern

Teddies can be made in a variety of styles. The pattern describes a teddy with pants and a shirt, but the pattern can be varied. The important thing is that the teddy has a personality of its own!

The teddy can be made in two sizes: large or small. Stitch and row numbers for the smaller teddy are shown in brackets.

8 ply yarn (acrylic preferred - no angora or mohair)

Needles: No. 9 (3.75mm) or No.10 (3.25mm) needles (Loose knitters use no 10)

**Legs & Pants**

Leg 1
- Cast on 12 (9) stitches
- Knit 34 (26) rows
- Change colour for pants
- Knit 8 (6) rows
- Leave stitches on needle

Leg 2
- Same as Leg 1

Pants
- Join both legs by knitting across both legs
- Knit 14 (10) rows to finish pants

**Shirt**
- Change colour for shirt
- Knit 18 (14) rows

**Sleeve**
- Cast on 12 (9) stitches at the beginning of the next 2 rows
- Knit 18 (14) rows
- Next 2 rows cast off 12 (9) stitches (this forms the arms - 24 (18) stitches remain)

**Head**
- Change colour for head
- Knit 34 (26) rows

Cast off

Repeat this procedure to make the other side of the teddy.
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