Important Dates to put in the diary

20th October - Prep—4 Swimming Program
31st October
Friday 24th October 10.30 am Assembly in front of portables
Lacrosse Round Robin
Monday 3rd November Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 4th November Melbourne Cup Day—No School
Thursday 6th November Grade 5/6 Excursion to National Gallery Victoria
Friday 7th November Icy Pole Day
Friday 14th November School Fete 3.30pm — 8.30 pm

TERM DATES 2014
Term 4 6th October - 19th December
Pupil Free Days Mon 3rd November

PUPIL FREE DAYS

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

AWARDS

Congratulations to our award winners:

Chloe, 5/6L
Christopher, 3/4O
Lauren, 5/6M
Kobi, 3/4M
Mia, 1C
Hamish, 1L
Finn, 3/4G
Gabby, 1L
Freya, 3/4O
Olivia, 2H
Charlie, Prep T
Charlie, 1O
Cody, 5/6S
Harvey, 3/4H
Emily, Prep D
Locks, 1O
Ferris, Prep S
Jack, 5/6W
Lachlan, 2R

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

Ruby, 2N
Miles, 2N
Silvery, 3/4H
Luca, 2N
Kobe, 1O
Simone, Prep D
Adam, 3/4G
Eve, 3/4M
Charlie, 1L
Alexander, 1O

School Values

Over the following weeks the children at school will be talking about the school values and how they assist us to have a great time at school.
Please take a moment to discuss with your child what they think it means to show
RESPECT
Both inside and outside
while at school and at home

Fete countdown: 3 weeks
Dear Parent/Guardians

**School Fete** – The school’s twilight fete is quickly approaching and we are looking forward to a wonderful family evening of fun, rides, yummy food, competitions, bargains, laughs and entertainment.

To ensure that the Fete is a great success we need considerable parental support to assist on the many stalls and activities to be conducted on the evening.

If you haven’t already done so, could you please volunteer an hour or two to assist on a stall. A roster list is located at the website www.schoolinterviews.com.au (code: 27UA7). Please select and click on the stall you wish to assist. We are quite short on volunteers on a number of stalls and your assistance is urgently needed and will be greatly appreciated.

**Building and Groundworks** - With the completion of the new double storey building works, school council will now begin some much needed ground works in our school grounds. It will begin with the area on the northern side of the building, an upgraded bike storage area and a new junior play ground is planned for construction before the end of the current school year.

Plans are currently being made for this area and concept plans for a junior play equipment area were presented at last Monday’s School Council meeting.

Proceeds from next month’s school fete will be directed to the purchase and installation of the play equipment and development of the bike/ scooter storage area.

Plans for the new areas will be on display at the fete and all going well, our children will be playing on a new, exciting and safe play area before the end of the term.

**Solar Boat Challenge** - Congratulations to all the Yr.5/6 students who competed in the Solar Boat Competition conducted at Scienceworks last Saturday. The day was a celebration of all their time, hard work and effort they had placed into their team’s entry for the event.

Although the students had some assistance from James and some parents with the organisation and co-ordination, the designing, planning, construction and testing of the solar boats was that of the children. The competition was very much about the children “learning by doing” and they should all be very proud of their efforts and their boats. A big thank you also to all the parents that were able to make it along to Scienceworks to support their children.

**New Staff at NLPS** - We are very pleased to welcome a number of new staff to Newport Lakes Primary School in Term 4.

Danny Lucin will be with us every Monday afternoon undertaking the role as the school’s provisional instrumental teacher and Band co-ordinator, and Ellen Morabito has been appointed to teach Classroom Music and Choir for the remainder of term 4.

The position of a permanent music teacher (to replace Kathy) to begin in 2015 will be advertised later this term.

I am also very pleased to welcome Sallyanne Pepe as the school’s new Business Manager. Sallyanne has had many years working in schools in both classrooms and administration areas. An experienced Business Manager, Sallyanne will be an excellent addition to our wonderful office administration team.

**Swimming** The swimming program began this week with 240 children in P-Yr. 4 attending the 10 day program at the Bayfit Swim Centre in Newport. A big thank you to Terry A for organising this huge logistical task of co-ordinating the swimming program and to all the staff and parents that assist with getting the children ready for their lesson, getting them in and out and to and from the pool each day. If parents wish to observe their children at swimming they are most welcome to attend the pool and watch the lesson conducted by one of the qualified swimming instructors.
2015 School Structure. As was mentioned in the last newsletter, we are currently planning the school structure for 2015.

During the following week, students will be asked to select class friends they would like to be with next year. Although it is unlikely they will be with all their chosen friends, we will endeavour to ensure that they are with at least one friend. We recommend that parents may wish to discuss friendship arrangements with their children and to trust them in selecting positive and suitable classmates.

Parents are invited to inform the school if there is any information that they believe is important when considering the selection of next year’s class for their child. Parents are not able to request a particular class teacher for their child but rather inform the school of any information that would be beneficial or important in the selection of their 2015 grade. This request must be in writing and can be made up until Monday 27th October. All will be given consideration but no promises or guarantees.

If any parents believe that their child may be transferring to another school in 2015, it is very important to make the school aware of this information.

David Moss
Principal

**Australian Maths Competition Results**

Last term, Newport Lakes had 44 students in grades 3-6 who completed the Australian Maths Competition. The results from the competition arrived recently and are shown below. Congratulations to all the students who took part, they should be very pleased with themselves and their contribution to the success of the competition.

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We are well into Walk to School month. It is fantastic seeing so many students and parents walking, riding and scooting to and from school. All classes are logging their walks in class, and the 3/4s are collecting some extra data, which they will report on and send back to Vic Health. The more walks we do, the more chance we have of winning sports equipment for the school, and possibly even a full day soccer clinic for the whole school, run by Melbourne city FC. On top of all those wonderful prizes, don’t forget that students can log into the website to win individual prizes – check out www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au.

Happy Walking!!!

THANK YOU
for SUPPORTING the
2014 ART SHOW

Thanks to all the generous people who donated their artwork to the Art Auction. Thanks to all the parents who gave their time to help set up the and clean up the Art Room. Without you support the Art Show would not have been a success. The Art Show raised enough funds to pay for the Sound Sculpture, printing press and a class set of spare Art smocks.

HI, my name is Ellen Morabito, and I will be teaching music and choir until the end of the year. So far, I have had so much fun in the music room, performing, composing and getting to know the students! We would love some new instruments for the music course, and so I wanted to call out to any families that have an old guitar, drums, percussion instruments or anything they can find that is just gathering dust. If you feel like your old instrument deserves a new loving home, we would love some donations, and will put them to very good use!

I look forward too meeting you through the term, and continuing to make some noise in the music room!

Ellen Morabito
This term looks set to race by! We’re all looking forward to the school Fete on the 14th November. In the meantime, Parents Club have some things planned that the children will enjoy and we also have an opportunity with the Election Day coming up this term to raise some funds for the school. We have already held a couple of events since the last newsletter…

World Teacher’s Day fell during school holidays (October 5). To celebrate and thank the teachers for all their hard work and dedication and to acknowledge all they do for our children we hosted a surprise Vintage High Tea on the morning of Friday the 10th of October.

Thanks so much to Allana Arapakis who coordinated this event and had the brilliant idea of the theme. Together with Nyree Norman they transformed the staff room into a glamorous five star tea room. Nyree’s beautiful blooms and 6 tier cake stand were particularly notable. Thank you also to the bakers. The menu was Poached Chicken Sandwiches (Allana), Cheese & Chives Scones (Chris Phillips), Lemon Tea Cake (Gail Virgona), GF Banana Bread (Nicole Bishop), Chocolate Caramel Slice (Daria Hewitt), Raspberry Slice (Imogen O’Neill), Lemon Slice (Selina McPherson), Scones (Jane Ferguson), Strawberries (Anita Blom). The teachers appreciated them so much they asked for the recipes and we have had so much positive feedback (which is lovely to hear), including this message from Amy…

“I just wanted to personally thank you for such a thoughtful way of helping us to celebrate world teachers day. It was honestly so thoughtful, with so much effort and care involved. Even fancy tea cups! We are lucky to have such amazing parents at our school. Please pass this on to whoever else was involved in the planning, as it was such a delight.”

Last week we held our first icy pole day for the term. Big thanks to Katrina Gowans for organizing these days, which are much appreciated and looked forward to by the children and to Bianca Gowans for her beautiful bright posters, which were a great help in reminding kids to bring their 50c coins. Thanks also to Sophie Kotevska, Christine Moon and Chris Phillips for helping Katrina to sell on the day.

Melanie Davies

Upcoming Events…

PARENT CLUB MEETING: Thursday 30 October 7:30pm MPR

We will be getting crafty for the School Fete Craft Stall while conducting this meeting.

ICY POLE DAY: Friday 7 November

Icy poles will be sold during lunchtime and will be 50c each. Providing your children with correct change helps speed up the queues… and can prevent over-indulging!
Parents Club, together with our wonderful Art Teacher Laura, are giving families the option to purchase some personal presents and/or a keepsake made with your child's drawing/design. Please see the flier in this newsletter for more details.

ELECTION DAY BBQ – 29 November

Please put this date in your diaries. We will be calling soon for volunteers to bake and/or to help sell items and BBQ sausages on the day. This is a great opportunity to fundraise outside our immediate school families. We will hold the usual BBQ and cake stall and also a Craft/Plant and Second Hand toys and books stall, which will give us a second chance to sell any items that are not sold at the Fete. In the meantime, please keep an eye on the Fete News section of this newsletter for items that you can donate to the school Fete.

Fete countdown: 3 weeks

Each family will be sent a separate hard copy of Fete News this week. Please keep a look out for this in your child’s bag.

Don’t forget to sign up to help out on the stalls by logging onto www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code 27UA7.

Stall holders meeting tonight in Multi purpose Room—7.30 pm.

Craft making session for anyone who wants to attend. Sunday 10 - 12pm in the multipurpose room.
LOOKING FOR A PERSONAL AND UNIQUE CHRISTMAS PRESENT?

NLPS is organizing a fund-raiser through ‘Kids Art Works’ a company that specialises in turning children’s art into unique products.

In their art class over the coming fortnight all children will be given the opportunity to create a drawing/design with the potential for it to be turned into a calendar ($12), mouse mat ($12), diary ($15) or set of eight cards ($12).

Your child’s completed artwork will be sent home with them on Tuesday 11 November, along with an order form.

If you would like to have your child’s artwork made into a calendar, mouse mat, diary or set of cards, just return the order form along with your payment and your child’s artwork by Tuesday 18 November. The completed products you’ve ordered will be returned to school for your child to bring home in the week of 15 December.

All money raised will be put back into the school’s art program. There is no obligation to participate - if you don’t wish to order any items simply keep your child’s artwork.

Samples of the products are on display in the school office. The quality seems really high and we’re confident these will make fabulous personalized gifts.

Please note, the drawings are created on a special piece of paper. If you would like any extra drawings or designs to be done by your children (or their siblings) at home, please see Laura Russell in the art room to pick up an extra sheet(s).
Williamstown High School Uniform Shop  
(Located at Pasco St Campus)  

Buy early sale now on  
Sale finishes Nov 2nd  
Trading Hours  

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Personal fitting appointments are available outside of trading hours

"Opportunity to Play Cricket"  

Williamstown CYMS Cricket Club has started a 3rd under 11 Cubs team. This is the introductory level to hard ball cricket. Everyone participates equally, and boys and girls continue to bat for a set number of overs even if they "get out". Most players in Cubs are in grade 2 or 3, although it does vary. With the 3rd team being added there is now the opportunity for some late registrations. Training is at the Fearon Reserve in Osborne St, Williamstown each Monday at 4:30 pm with games on Fridays from 5 pm. Please come along to training or go to www.williamstowncyms.com.au/cricket for further information and contact details.

Enquiries Ted Hudson. Tel 9397 0810."
UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOURAL ISSUES AND BUILDING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS IN ADOLESCENCE

The first five parents to book for this session will receive a free copy of Michael Carr-Gregg’s book ‘Surviving adolescence – the must have manual for all parents’.

About:
Adolescence can be a difficult time for young people as they begin to develop ideas, values and beliefs that can be different to those of their parents and guardians.

Building positive relationships can support young people facing emotional issues, which can bring about frustration and confusion that leads to reactive behaviour for parents/guardians and young people.

We are hoping the session will help parents/guardians understand the importance of showing the young person how to manage strong emotions and focus on recognising these emotions and supporting them through this process.

Strategies to assist parents in understanding the various responses in young people and learning effective communication skills and strategies how to communicate more effectively with young people. This will be presented by Dr Lyn O’Grady from LifeWorks.

When: Wednesday 5 November 2014
Time: 6.45pm to 8.30pm with a 7pm start
Where: Altona Civic Centre
115 Civic Parade, Altona
RSVP: Friday 31 October 2014
Hobsons Bay Youth Services (03) 9332 4000

This information session is for all parents, guardians and workers who live, work or study in Hobsons Bay.
For more information, or to book your place, please call:
Hobsons Bay Youth Services on (03) 9932 4000

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