



Newling News

Telephone: 02 6772 1488
Fax: 02 6771 2258
Email: newling-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

80 Chapel Street
ARMIDALE NSW 2350

Term 3 Week 9

12th September 2011

Student of the Week



Eric Wei

Eric has an amazing positive attitude to school, giving his very best in activities from running in PE to reading in Literacy. Eric is an exceptional role model to his classmates and younger students. Fantastic effort Eric!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

AECG Meeting

This Friday at 1pm the Armidale AECG meeting will be held in the hall at Newling PS. All Newling parents are welcome to attend and we look forward to your input at the meeting.

Invitation for Parent to attend ESL course in Moree 18 /19 October

As part of the schools ongoing commitment to involve parents and community in education at our school and further improve outcomes for our students selected Newling staff will be involved in an ESL course to be held in Moree.

A place in the course is provided for a parent. Parents wishing to take part in this course are encouraged to contact the school for further information. The course is two days and accommodation and all meals will be provided.

Awards Ceremony this Friday

This week the Awards Ceremony will be held at 10:30am and conclude by 11:30am. A special invitation to parents of children who will be receiving the schools highest awards, the Bronze, Silver and Gold awards, will be sent home with students today.

The change of times is to accommodate the involvement of our students in the Netball Gala Day that involves all the Armidale small schools.

NAPLAN Result

Last Friday the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results were released. All students in Years 3 and 5 completed the national tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy in May.

The tests provide parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests. They also provide schools with information about how education programs are working and which areas need to be prioritised for improvement.

Individual student results will be sent home this week. The same report format is used for every student in Australia.

Spelling Bee

We wish the best of luck to our students competing in the regional final of the Spelling Bee this Thursday at Glen Innes.

Danny Ward, Jace Lennox, Eric Wei and Zoe George will proudly represent the school. I am sure that they will compete successfully against the other students from schools across the New England region.

Star Awards

"You're a Star" awards earned in week 8 of this term were presented to many of our successful students who have been achieving the You Can Do It keys to success at our Monday morning assembly. Congratulations to:

Jake Boney, Archie Hyatt, Anna Dennis, Savannah Smith, Nick Morse, and Scott Cody.

Murray Cox
Relieving Principal

School Community Liaison Meeting

This event will provide opportunity for discussion on the partnership between DEC schools, P and C Associations and AECG, with time will be provided for both information sharing and networking.

P and C Association State Councillors will attend.

Date: Thursday 15 September 2011

Venue: Library, Sandon Public School,

Arrival Time: 6:00 for 6.30pm

Meeting time: 6:30pm – 8.00pm

Light refreshments provided

Please notify Newling PS if you wish to attend.

Peer Reading

Year Six students have been 'buddies' with students in the K/1 class to work with the younger students on reading. It is evidenced in research, that students need at least 20 minutes per day of independent reading to make progress. This 'peer reading' is very important in the reading development of our younger students but also a great opportunity for the Year 6 students to practise and extend their knowledge of reading.



Debating

On Wednesday 7th the school hosted a debate between Ben Venue and Ross Hill schools.

This debate was a regional final and our students benefited from watching the closely contested event.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN 4/5N

With the term whizzing by 4/5N have been involved in a multitude of events. We wish Eric Wei and Danny Ward all the best as our Junior and Senior representatives in

the Premier's Spelling Bee Finals in Glen Innes on Thursday. Also good luck to Jace Lennox and Zoe George from 3/4W and 6H.

The class has been studying People and their Beliefs in HSIE. Information reports have been completed on Mother Teresa – an inspirational leader in helping the poor and becoming the founder of 'The Missionaries of Charity'.

Art and Maths have been linked with work being completed on Vincent Van Gogh – a self-portrait based on 2D shapes. As well we learnt some interesting facts about Van Gogh: 1. He began painting when he was 27 years old. 2. In 10 years he completed 1600 paintings. 3. Most paintings are made up of separate unblended brush marks.

Deadly Australians

Last Tuesday, students were treated to a presentation of both live and preserved exhibits of "Deadly Australians". Students learnt first-hand about the dangers of the venomous wildlife that inhabit our backyards, bush, beaches and sea. The enthusiasm of our students and their questioning ensured this was a valuable learning experience.

Jace Lennox, Year 4, said he found it fascinating that snakes were able to be ordered according to how dangerous they are.

Nick Morse, Year 4, said "he really enjoyed it. He loved seeing the long-necked turtle and the red-bellied black snake".

Joey Foster, Year 1 said her favourite part was patting a lizard.



We are Still Collecting Coles Sports For Schools Vouchers and Woolworths Earn and Learn Dockets!

"Bullies Should Be Expelled From School"

Last Wednesday Newling Public School Students were a most receptive audience to a debate between Ben Venue Public School and Ross Hill students. The topic, "Bullies Should be Expelled From School" was well argued from both the affirmative (Ross Hill) and negative (BVPS) sides. The Negative side were the stronger side on this day with their arguments that:

- Everyone deserves a second chance
- We need to sit down and work out a better solution
- Expulsion will only transfer the problem to another school, not address it.
- There are people on hand who can help address the problem.
- There are other forms of punishment to choose from.

Both sides gave us plenty to think about.

E-GATS Profiles

Eric Wei

Eric has selected English for his enrichment. He is currently exploring the genre, "fantasy". He is reading "Alice in Wonderland" and is journaling his thoughts throughout this.

He particularly enjoys "Mr Wilson's Musings" where he listens to Irish words and sentences each week. Eric interacts with other eGats students in the region online through his own blogs and by responding to other people's blogs.

Eric is currently 10 years old, but turns 11 in February. He enjoys eating everything except capsicum. His most recommended books to read are "Spellbinder" and "Huckleberry Finn". In ten years time, Eric sees himself studying to be a doctor.

Darby Chalmers

Darby is exploring the topic, "Vikings" in eGATs. He says he has found it interesting to learn that Vikings only existed in the Northern Hemisphere.

His favourite thing about eGats is he gets to meet new people by going to events like they had at Pembroke and, next term, Thalgarrah.

Darby says the hardest thing about eGats is juggling his sport, school, eGATs and basically being a kid. He said it is tough but a good opportunity.

Darby is 12 years old and enjoys cricket and hockey. He loves his mum's spaghetti and meat sauce, but hates cheese!

Darby is currently reading "Harry's War" by John Heffernan. In 10 years time, he hopes to be playing for Australia's hockey team, "The Kookaburras".

Newling Public School SRC Conversations



SRC Communications Team: David Tan, Zoe Barker-Smith and Zoe George are the SRC Communications Team. They will be communicating events, competitions, birthdays, game reviews and happenings within Newling Public School. They meet each Wednesday at lunchtime to plan the week ahead.

Who We Are:

David Tan: I am the leader of the Communications Team. I am currently in Year 4/5N. I enjoy classical music and I play violin. This year I have also been selected for eGats, studying English and the genre of fantasy. My favourite subject is Mathematics, especially multiplication. I am currently reading "Percy Jackson and the Sea of Monsters". I think the best thing about Newling Public School is the way we welcome other people into our community.

Zoe Barker-Smith: I am currently in Year 4/5N and have also been selected this year for eGats (English). I enjoy swimming, riding my bike and helping around our farm. I am currently reading "Thomas True and the Flying Huntsman". My favourite subjects are English and Mathematics. The best thing about Newling Public School? Everything!

Zoe George: I am Newling Public School Captain and also part of the Environmental and Fundraising teams. I was elected last week to chair our SRC meetings each fortnight. I am currently in Year 6 and enjoy swimming and cooking. My favourite subjects are Art, English and anything "Sport". I am currently reading Deltora Quest Series 3: ShadowGate. I believe the best thing about Newling Public School is the friendly atmosphere.

Sports Report

Cricket: Last Wednesday, Darby Chalmers travelled to Gunnedah for the North-West Cricket Trials. He said it was a tough day but he pulled through and made it to the next level. He will play at Maitland in the State Carnival.



Rugby: Last Wednesday afternoon, the Newling Barbarians vs. TAS in the semi-finals. Newling won the game 35-26. The boys will now play in the Grand Final against Ben Venue.

Chess: Last Friday, David Tan, Eric Wei, Jeffrey Mills, Danny Ward, Zoe Barker-Smith and Darby Chalmers played chess at St Mary's against other schools in the area. Our Team A won 8 games, Team B won 10 games.

Moree Public School won the overall tournament for the day.

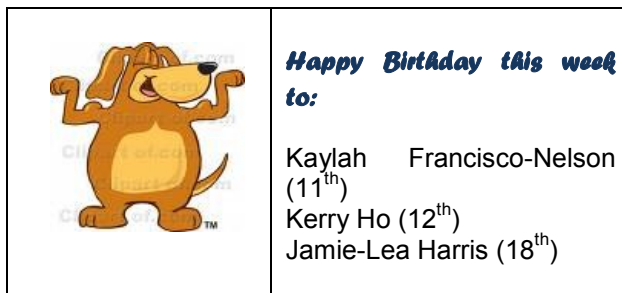


WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday 15th September – Regional Spelling Bee
Friday 16th September - Netball Gala Day

WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT WEEK

Thursday 22nd September – AHS Weirathon (gold coin donation)
Friday 23rd September – Walkathon



Centro display

1/2P would like to send a big thank you out to Christine Waters (Aunty Tom) for helping us with the mural that is displayed in Centro. It looks fabulous and we are very proud of our artwork. Look up when in Centro next and see if you can find it.



1/2P are enjoying recording data for Maths in class. This graph tells us what eye colours we have and how many boys and girls for each eye colour in our class.



PIE DRIVE ORDERS MUST BE IN BY TOMORROW. LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

