

# Newling News



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Term 4 Week 9

5th December 2016

## Student of the Week



### Elizabeth

Elizabeth is a motivated and positive Year 3 student. She is an attentive listener and is becoming more confident in speaking up in class to share her ideas and experiences.

Elizabeth has exceptional work habits and is able to completely focus on set work independently and in groups.

Elizabeth uses the YCDI keys to success every day, ensuring she has enjoyable and productive days at school.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Graduation Gathering

On Friday our newest students receive their graduation certificates and are welcomed 'officially' to school with the presentation of school packs in readiness for Kindergarten in 2017.

We also acknowledge the departing students in Year 6, who will go onto the next phase of their education in 2017 with the move to high school, by presenting the 'graduation bears'. Year 6 will be our hosts at this their last Gathering at Newling and our last Gathering for 2016.

This special graduation Gathering commences at **12:30pm**.

We thank the P&C who donated these 'gifts' from their fundraising efforts throughout 2016. Without the wonderful support of the P&C this would not be possible.

The 'Transition class' will finish this week. Friday 9th December will be the last day for this class.

### Presentation Day / Fete / Gala Night – Wednesday 14th December

Next Wednesday day will be one extravaganza of recognition, celebrations and fun.

Presentation Day assembly will commence at 10:30am and conclude at approximately 11:30am, with morning tea to follow.

The Fete will run from 5:30pm – 7:00pm.

Finally, Gala Night Concert starts at 7:30pm.

Christmas Hamper Raffle will be drawn at the conclusion of the Gala night performance around 8:30pm.

### Swim School

Swim school continues this week with lessons at the TAS Pool. Last week our students' confidence in the water grew immensely as they practiced basic water safety skills. This week we should see an even more dramatic growth in swimming skills.

K-2 students finish Swim School on Thursday this week. Yrs 3-6 students have a double lesson this Friday.

### P and C

The final P & C meeting for 2016 was held today. With just one week before the end of year Fete, all final arrangements were made.

We thank the dedicated parents and friends who attend these meetings and do an outstanding job supporting our school and the students. Thank you to all P & C members for your efforts throughout the year.

We also send a special thanks to Tony, Frank, Patricia and Tracey who hosted a fundraising BBQ at Bunnings last weekend. This hard working team raised a significant amount of money for our school and their efforts will benefit all the current and future students at Newling.

### Christmas Hamper Raffle

The Hampers continue to grow and we thank everyone who has made a donation. The donation of non-perishable items is still welcomed.

The Hamper Raffle is drawn on the Wednesday evening at the end of the Gala Concert. We ask that all tickets, sold or unsold, are sent back prior.

### Disco

This Wednesday evening we will be hosting a Year 6 Farewell Disco. Tickets will be for sale this week at recess. The Disco will run from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. The cost will be \$2 for entry, and include a drink and snack during the Disco. All money raised will go toward a Year 6 gift for school.

We look forward to all students, being present to Farewell our 'Class of 2016'.

### Reports

Semester 2 reports will be given to students next week. They provide a point in time summary of your child's achievement over the whole school year. Should you wish to discuss anything contained in the report, please contact the school to arrange a suitable time to meet with the class teacher.

### Classes and Staffing for 2017

There has been another year of strong growth in enrolments for the 2017 school year. We do have some children and families moving away and we wish them all the best in their new lives beyond Armidale. We also welcome a number of new families in 2017.

For the start of the 2017 school year the school will be running very full stage classes.

All parents need to understand that these numbers could change and that the planned class structure may change as well. We do our best to maintain continuity, but a new school year always brings surprises and new challenges. Your patience and understanding is always appreciated.

Having developed our class structure and school model for 2017, the final part of this process is placing teachers in to the class structure. There are two new positions that are unfilled at present that we are recruiting for. There is a tight timeframe but we plan to have both positions finalised by the end of this week. When we have done this, then the community will be informed of teachers for 2017.

It certainly is an exciting time for our school.

### Star Awards

"You're a Star Award" certificates were presented at this morning's assembly to successful students who had been using the You Can Do It keys to success and demonstrating persistence, resilience, organisation, getting along and confidence.

Congratulations to our recipients: Allen, Jordan, Lucas, Raymond and Cody.

Murray Cox  
Principal



Its time to return all your library books before the Christmas break.

If you are unsure which books you have borrowed see Mrs Nuckey in the library.

### CHRISTMAS HAMPER



Donations are now being accepted for the Christmas Hamper. Please bring/send non-perishable items in to the school office. Thanks you for your support.



### Clothing Pool



The clothing pool is in short supply of uniforms in good condition. If you have any uniforms your children have grown out of please bring them to the office. Thank you.



Our lost property basket is full. If you have any missing items please come to the office and check the basket.

At the end of term the basket will be cleared and placed into the clothing pool

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# Fresh Hope

## CHRISTMAS SERVICE

### AN UNEXPECTED CHRISTMAS

All Welcome All Welcome

Starts at 5:30pm

**What's happening:** Christmas carols, Drama, Children's activities, Free community dinner

**Where:** Newling Public School, 80 Chapel St, Armidale

**When:** Sunday 18th December

Fresh Hope Armidale is a local Christian church meeting at Newling Public school

### Important Dates

#### December

- P and C Meeting—5th
- School Captain voting and speeches—7th
- Yr. 6 Farewell Disco—7th
- Year 6 and Transition Graduation Gathering—9th
- Last Day for Transition—9th
- Year 6 'Big Day Out' Monday—12th
- Presentation Day 10:30 – 11:30am—14<sup>th</sup>
- Fete 5:30 – 7:00pm— 14th
- Gala Concert – 7:30 - 8:30pm— 14th
- School finishes for 2016— 16th

### Armidale Dads

Dads getting together to socialise with other dads  
Join our facebook page – "Armidale Dads" for more info



Meet-ups every week at different parks & cafes around Armidale

***Quote of the week***

**It's not what you look at that matters it's what  
you see!**

**ABSENTEE NOTE**

(To be returned to Classroom Teacher first day back after absence)



STUDENT'S NAME..... Class ..... Date of Absence/s .....

Reason for Absence

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Signature of Parent/Caregiver..... Date.....