

# Newling News



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Term 1 Week 7

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## Student of the Week

### Elizabeth

Elizabeth is a hardworking student who participates in all class activities to the best of her ability. She is punctual to class and always organised and prepared for school.

She is kind to others at all times and willing to help when required.

Elizabeth is a wonderful role model in our class and encourages others to succeed.

Congratulations to Elizabeth

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

### **Personalised Learning Plans (PLP's)**

Every child in our school has a negotiated set of goals in a PLP that are created through discussion between the parent/s, student and teacher. Each class teacher has sent home a note for booking interview times for PLP's.

At the PLP meeting each parent has a chance to talk about how their child is progressing and set goals for school and home to aim for before next PLP meeting of each term.

These meetings are a very important part of your child's education and communication between home and the child's teacher.

The meeting time is brief and provided so that the parent knows what is happening in class, what the child is achieving and what they can do to help the child achieve at school.

If you have not had a PLP meeting or booked a time please do so as soon as possible.

### **Student Representative Council (SRC)**

The SRC meet regularly at lunch and provide the voice for their class on decisions and opportunities in our school. SRC members represent all students in the school and organise ways for students to participate and contribute to their school community.

Mr Smith will coordinate the SRC this year and at their first meeting last week many great suggestions for student activities were presented by the group.

### **Representative Sports Trials**

We are entering the trials season for many sports and some parents will see numerous notes flooding home. As these events are organised from outside our school and run as additional school activities parents are responsible for organising and supporting involvement. If there are significant numbers of our students attending then we may arrange transport with our school bus.

We attempt to get notes and information out as soon as it is received, which is often at short notice, and distribute information only to those that have a level of expertise that would make it possible for them to play in a representative team.

### **School Sports Knockout Competitions**

During the remainder of Term 1 and in Term 2 the school will be competing in a variety of sporting competitions in the state knockouts. Newling has entered the competitions in Netball, Boys and Girls Soccer, Mixed Soccer, Basketball, Touch Football and Rugby League.

The competitions are all knockout format and games must be arranged and played with set times after each

match. Arrangements and notes will often be 'last minute' at times due to waiting on matches and results from other teams before next match can be organised. We thank you in advance for your patience and assistance with returning many notes. We are lucky to have our bus to be able to get to and from all these games and compete in these competitions.

If you are able to help with coaching or training any of these teams and have expertise in these sports, we welcome your assistance. Please contact Mr Cox to discuss.

### **Armidale Half Day Public Holiday**

An official notice was sent home last Thursday about the half-day public holiday in Armidale on Monday 20 March for the running of the Armidale Cup.

As a result of this notice all schools in Armidale, including Newling, will be non-operational from 12 noon on Monday 20 March.

There will be no bus service when the school closes at midday. Parents will need to make travel arrangements for children who would normally travel on buses in afternoon.

Children who walk to school or are transported by parents will leave school at 12:00 midday when the school officially ceases operations for the day.

### **Playground Leaders**

As part of our student leadership opportunities we have created a new Playground Leaders program to commence this term at Newling.

Students from Yrs 3-6 have been elected as playground leaders and will be 'on duty' with the two supervising teachers.

Playground leaders will provide positive role models and co-ordinate activities at recess and lunch breaks. A roster has been developed and training for playground leaders will start next week.

The 5/6 class have already organised a sports afternoon this term and showed great leadership in running the events for younger students.

We envisage that this program will further develop the leadership skills of our students.

### **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: Kiesha, Richard, Shayannah, Lucas, Tia and Jamara.

Murray Cox

Principal

## MUSICA VIVA VISIT

Last Tuesday February 28th, Newling Public School students enjoyed a wonderful visit from Musica Viva. The four members of "The World According to James" jazz band delighted us with an hour of song and dance. We were also pleased to host students from Drummond Memorial Public School on the day and the students enjoyed the performance together.



## P & C News Easter Raffle



The P & C will be running an Easter Raffle to be drawn at the end of Term 1 on 7th April.

We are calling on all families for donations of Easter Eggs for the raffle. If each family could donate one item we should have enough for several large baskets as we have had in previous years. Donations can be left at the school office.



**AFSS EARLY YEARS CONFERENCE IS ON AGAIN! 15-16 March.**

Exciting list of speakers on autism, mental health, school readiness and Aboriginal inclusion in education.

The Conference Dinner will be held at Archie's on the Park, Moore Park Inn at 6:30pm on March 15.

Guest speaker is Prof Margaret Sims.

Entertainment for the evening will feature the Wild Women of Armidale!

Please visit the AFSS website [www.familysupport.org.au](http://www.familysupport.org.au) for details of the Conference and to register.

If you have any questions please phone 6772 7243 or contact [robyn@familysupport.org.au](mailto:robyn@familysupport.org.au).

## Important Dates

### March

P and C Meeting 6th

*NO Breakfast Club* 7th

UNE Science and Engineering Challenge 7th

Rugby League Trials 9th

Autumn Festival 18th

Half Day Public Holiday 20th



Happy Birthday to:

Michael 7th March

## Quote of the week

The surest way not to fail is to be determined to succeed.

### City Hockey Club

Registration for the 2017 winter season are now open. City fields teams in the Friday evening junior boys/ mixed competition. Registration forms available from the Colour Copy Centre, East Mall. Email [peichorn@bigpond.com.au](mailto:peichorn@bigpond.com.au) Or phone 0427668915 for more details. All welcome.

### Hockey Players Wanted

ESC Hockey is looking for players of all ages for their Junior teams in the upcoming 2017 hockey season. For further information, contact ESC through the ESC Hockey Club facebook page, email at [servies\\_hockey@yahoo.com.au](mailto:servies_hockey@yahoo.com.au) or phone Kerrie on 0401018444.

### 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.....

