

# Newling News

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Term 2 Week 4

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## Class Stars of the Week



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Author and Illustrator Visits

This week our students in Years 3 to 6 will be treated to a special lesson with a visiting children's author Tristan Bancks and illustrator Kate Durack.

Tristan Bancks is a children's and teen author with a background in acting and filmmaking. His books include the My Life series and Mac Slater books. Kate Durack is a local illustrator best known to our students for her first picture book, Two Tales of Brothers from Mesopotamia.

Our students look forward to finding out more about these talented people and their careers in literature, the arts and publishing.

## NAPLAN

Students in Years 3 and 5 showed great confidence and persistence in completing the NAPLAN assessments last week.

NAPLAN provides the school with useful information about student performance and allows comparison with their peers from across the nation. It also adds to our collection of in-school assessment data and validates the accuracy of this.

## Cross Country

Congratulations to all our students who made the effort to complete the Cross Country race last week. Every child covered the distance necessary for their age group and even the 5 and 6 year olds completed the event for the enjoyment.

Eleven students qualified to compete at the Zone Cross Country this week at UNE. We wish them all the best of luck.

## Music Lessons

We now only have a couple of places available in the beginners' guitar group on Tuesday and the drum group on Monday. Anyone interested in learning to play guitar or drums should let the Mr Cox know ASAP.

Lessons cost \$50 per term for tuition. This includes use of guitar or drums and supply of a music book. This is at least 1/2 of the cost of lessons outside of school.

## Mother's Day Breakfast

The weather was kind and many mums, nans and friends joined us for a delicious breakfast on Friday morning to celebrate Mother's Day.

We sincerely thank Joanne, Patricia, Tracy, Tony, Michael and Frank for their hard work on Friday morning in preparing, cooking, serving (and cleaning up after!) the outstanding breakfast.

We trust all the mums at our school were given an equally delightful treat on Sunday morning. Again, thanks to the P and C who funded all of the craft materials for the unique gifts your children created.

Congratulations to our raffle winners.

## Awards Gathering

This week's Gathering will be an Awards Assembly on 19<sup>th</sup> May. Students who meet the awards criteria will be presented with Gold, Silver and Bronze awards at this assembly. Criteria for award levels can be viewed on our school website.

## School Photographs

The date for school photographs is Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2017.


Envelopes for orders were sent out with the Newling News last week.

## 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: Juliette and Pritchard.

Murray Cox  
Principal



Don't forget:

### SCHOOL PHOTO ENVELOPES

**Photo envelopes to be returned to the office before photo day on 30<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Please note that correct money must be included in the envelope as no change will be given at the office.**

## Important Dates

### May

Author visit—15<sup>th</sup>

Illustrator visit—15<sup>th</sup>

Netball Gala Day—16<sup>th</sup>

Zone Cross Country UNE— 17<sup>th</sup>

Awards Assembly— 19<sup>th</sup>

School Photos — 30<sup>th</sup>



## Happy Birthday to:

Tia 15<sup>th</sup>

Nahri 15<sup>th</sup>

Raymond 16<sup>th</sup>



## 3/4C NEWS

*Year 3/4 have been busy making presents for Mother's Day.*

*A big thank you to our P & C for providing the great craft for the children to use.*



## NEWS FROM KINDERGARTEN

*On Monday Kindergarten had a very special guest. We would like to thank Elizabeth Davies for sharing stories of when she was a little girl with us. We are learning that sharing stories is a way of learning about the past.*

*We loved sharing our classroom. Thank you Elizabeth.*



## ***Quote of the week***

**Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you  
take your eyes off the goal!**



### **SRC TRIVIA**

**In what year did Mr Cox  
become principal of  
Newling?**

### **SRC TRIVIA**

Each week children can answer the  
question to go into the draw for the weekly  
prize. The 1st correct entry drawn wins!

### **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.....



## NEWS FROM 1/2

*In 1/2M we have been reading a selection of fox stories including 'Fantastic Mr Fox' written by Roald Dahl. We have been writing descriptions of the characters from these stories and have become authors by creating our own story endings.*

### Farmer Bean

Farmer Bean is a farmer of apples and turkeys.

Farmer Bean is tall and skinny. He knows where Mr Fox's home is.

By Jordan

### Hattie and the Fox

Hattie saw a nose in the bushes and two eyes and two legs and a body and a fox. "A fox! A fox!" shouted Hattie.

The fox jumped up. "I got him", said the fox.

By Jeremiah

## Story time from Kindergarten

*Students in Kindergarten are learning to write a retell of a story. They wrote a retell of the story "Puffling" by Margret Wild.*

Puffling hatched out of the egg. He is brave and strong.

By Sebastian

Puffling he grew big and brave and strong. He hatched out of the egg.

By Charli-Jane

Puffling is brave and strong. Dad and Mum missed him.

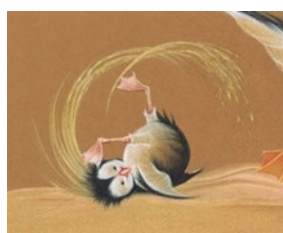
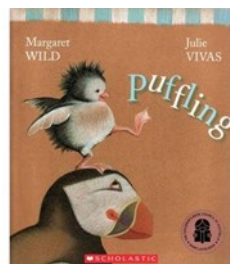
By Juliette

Puffling swam with his friends.

By Fredrick

Puffling hatched out of the egg. He grew big strong and brave. The gulls tried to eat him. Puffling swam away with his friends.

By Caleb



Puffling swam with his friends.

By Michael

Puffling said when do I grow big and strong and brave. Long Black Feather measures Puffling. Not quite yet said Long Black Feather.

By Yamun

Puffling was big and strong.

By Meryndah

Puffling grew big and strong and brave.

By Brodie

Puffling was big.

By Liame

Puffling grew big strong and brave.

By Anthony



## NEWS FROM 4/5



Nutrition Snippet

## The simplest way

...to choose the best lunch box drink.

When it comes to packing a lunch box drink, water is the best choice!



Milk is a great drink too – add a plain milk popper to the lunch box as well to give kids a calcium boost.

Drinks such as fruit juice, cordial, flavoured mineral water, soft drink and sports drinks are high in sugar and low in nutritional value. So limit or avoid these drinks.

It is best to only drink juice occasionally and it should not be packed in the lunch box. Avoid "fruit drinks" as these are just sugar water and a little juice.

Remember, water is essential so make sure you pack a bottle of it in the lunch box every day.

For more information visit  
[www.eatittobeatit.com.au](http://www.eatittobeatit.com.au)  
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://facebook.com/eatittobeatit)



PCYC After School Care

Information on the program is available at the school office.



SOCCER DEVELOPMENT CLINICS—Information available at the office.

## ARMIDALE RECONCILIATION BRIDGE WALK

2017

Sunday May 28th at 12 noon

Meet near Stephens Bridge in the car park next to the Information Centre, at the Corner Marsh & Dumaresq Streets  
Bring a picnic - tea, coffee, BBQ provided

Local function in recognition of Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week



Everyone welcome

Walk the bridge, chat with friends, listen to speeches & music

Organised by Armidale ANTaR  
Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation