

Newling News



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Term 3 Week 6

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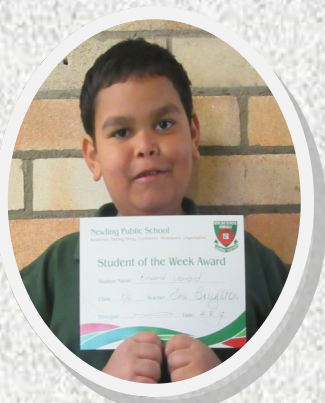
Class Stars of the Week



Year 5/6



Year 4/5



Year 3/4



Year 1/2



Kindergarten

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Science Week

Science Week was celebrated with every student involved in a wonderful learning experience at Thalgarrah. Our students completed activities in the many fields of Science, from palaeontology to chemistry. There was certainly plenty of excitement and a lot of discussion about the fascinating experiences the students had.

Book Week and Book Fair

This week is Book Week and we again have the Book Fair at our school. Each class has selected a specific book to study for Book Week and will show off their work at the Book Week Assembly on Thursday.

The special Book Week Assembly on Thursday will be in place of our normal Gathering. This week the Kindergarten class will be hosting the assembly.

The Book Fair will be open Monday to Thursday from 8:30am – 9:30am for children and parents. It will also be open before and after the Book Week assembly for parents.

NAPLAN Results

Parents of children in Years 3 and 5 will receive their child's NAPLAN results in the post. NAPLAN is one valuable source of assessment data that we use for school planning. Each teacher maintains a comprehensive assessment record for each student and NAPLAN provides a useful comparison to monitor our school-based assessment for consistency and accuracy.

If you have any queries, or would like to discuss, your child's achievement in this assessment, please contact your child's teacher.

NAPLAN Online Trials

From 2018 NAPLAN will be completed on-line and this week we will take part in a trial to complete the NAPLAN assessment on-line. Students in Year 3 and 5 will test how the system works so that when it is introduced next year any bugs can be eliminated. Results will not be provided as this trial is aimed at making sure students, school staff and the school system is prepared for the introduction of online testing in 2018.

P and C Bunnings BBQ

Parents of 5/6 children are particularly encouraged to assist at this fundraiser for Lake Ainsworth as the money raised will go directly to subsidising this excursion.

The next BBQ is on Saturday 16th September.

The P and C will also be holding a BBQ at the local government elections at the school on Saturday 9th September. We again ask for your help for an hour on this day. Many hands make

light work!

Star Awards

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

Congratulations to our recipient: Sebastian.

Murray Cox Principal

GETTING ALONG - Focus of the Week

Walking safely - moving around in a safe manner

Imagine if there were no rules for cars and we could go as fast or anywhere we wanted?

Learning to walk safely is similar to that of how teenagers learn to drive. They must first practice judgment and skills with an adult present and in simple traffic conditions. Children need help learning and practicing where and how to walk safely.



Important Dates

AUGUST

3/4 Library visit – 23rd

Book Fair 21st – 25th

Book Week Gathering – Thursday 24th

5/6 Excursion – 'Kids vs Wild' at Thalgarrah 25th

P&C Fundraising BBQ - Saturday

9th September - school and Saturday 16th September – Bunnings

Soccer vs Binnaway - Tuesday 29th

4/5 and 5/6 Library visit – 31st

Father's Day Breakfast 1st Sept.

Spelling Bee Regional Finals 6th Sept.

Armidale Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) Exec meeting

Tuesday 22nd August 2017 5.30pm

University of New England, Arts Building LG25



Happy Birthday to:

AUGUST

Jamara 27th



CAMP QUALITY GIGGLE DISCO

FRIDAY 8th September 2017

Armidale City Bowling Club, Dumaresq Street

Tickets \$8 pp (drinks and snacks available for purchase)

Time: 6:00 to 7:30pm

Age: 5-13 years (Adult Supervision—all with Working with Children Check)

Tickets may be pre-purchased from the Armidale City Bowling Club, and must be presented at the door

BOOK NOW @ the Armidale City Bowling Club, 02 6772 5666



Would You and Your Family Like To Get Healthier?

Nutrition Connect is an online program aimed at getting children and their families healthier! Participating in the program is free and your family may receive 2 online face-to-face consultations with an Accredited Practising Dietitian, plus 3 months online resources including free subscriptions to our Nutrition website custom-design for families and a Facebook support group exclusively for program participants only.

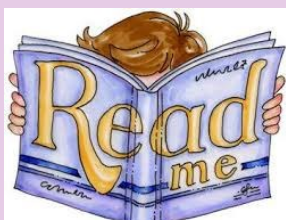
Your family can participate in the program, if:

- ✓ You have access to the internet via a smartphone, tablet, laptop, or computer
- ✓ You have a child aged 5–11 years (before 12th birthday) who is above healthy weight
- ✓ At least one parent or carer is willing to participate in the program
- ✓ You are able to attend appointments in Tamworth or Armidale, NSW

Register your interest at
<http://bit.ly/nutritionconnect>

Wondering if your family can participate? Ask us today or fill in our online form at above link!
For more information contact Amy Ashman at amy.m.ashman@newcastle.edu.au or 0488 399 533

This project has been approved by the Hunter New England Human Research Ethics Committee, Approval No. 16/07/2014.04 and the University of Newcastle Human Research Ethics Committee, Approval No. H-2016-0329.



Book Week

There is much excitement at Newling as we celebrate **Book Week** all this week. In addition to our usual enjoyment of books and reading many activities have been planned.



Students in the K-6 classes will be exploring a focus book to see how it inspires them... maybe in writing, maybe in costume, maybe artistically Parents, family and friends are most welcome to come along to our annual Book Week festivities in the Newling Hall from **2pm Thursday 24th August** to see how each class chooses to respond to their special book.

Our annual Scholastic **BOOK FAIR** is up and running in the Library Annex. Students will have an opportunity to browse and purchase **before school Monday-Thursday**. There is an amazing range of books, posters, pencils and knick knacks starting from the \$2 price range upwards. Our school Library benefits from a commission on money spent which in turn benefits your children. Can I encourage you to support the Book Fair and maybe take the opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping.

A **colouring-in competition** will be held in the Library. Students are invited to the **Library 2nd half lunch on Monday-Wednesday** to complete their entries. Winners selected from each class will receive a \$10 voucher to spend at the Book Fair.

Since March this year all students K-6 have been encouraged to take up the **Premiers Reading Challenge**. The challenge requires students K-2 to have experienced 30 books and student 3-6 experience 20 books. A number of students have managed to complete the Challenge which officially finishes on Friday 25th August. Students who do complete the challenge will be awarded a certificate in November. Read on Newling!!

Mrs Lyndal Knuckey Teacher-Librarian

Come on Newling! You can do it!

Keep collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers for Newling. At the end of the promotion on Sept. 19th, we will redeem stickers to get some great new equipment and resources to benefit our students. Bring your stickers to the office or drop them in box at Woollies please



Lake Ainsworth Excursion - Year 5 / 6

Just a reminder that Year 5/6 students will leave for Lake Ainsworth on Monday October 16th.

There are only 5 weeks left to finalise the outstanding excursion balance for your child.

Part payments accepted at the office now - payment in full must be made by **September 22nd**.

Payment must be received in full for students to participate in this wonderful educational and recreational experience. EFTPOS is available.

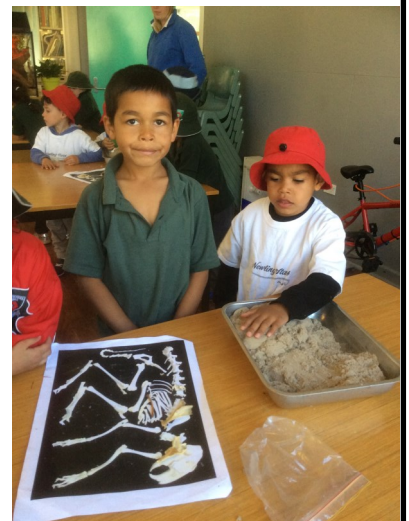
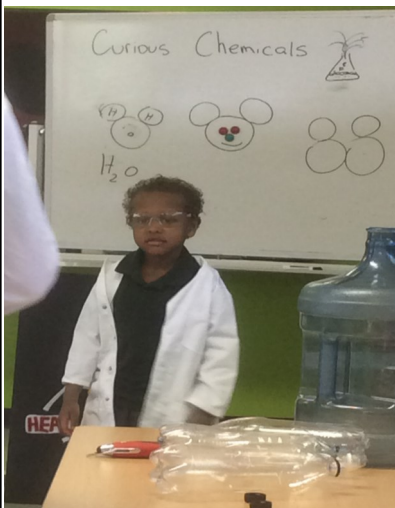
NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK WITH TRANSITION, KINDER AND 1/2M

We had a wonderful day of science at Thalgarrah EEC last Thursday.

The day was shared by students from Transition, Kindergarten and 1/2 M and it was great to see the students helping, sharing and taking turns with their younger buddies.

We learned about fossils at the palaeontology station, collected ants and examined them under a microscope, dressed in lab coats to explore the properties of soil, and discovered some reactions made when chemicals are mixed.

We also discovered there are some budding scientists among us! Thank you to Matt at Thalgarrah and the scientists from the UNE Discovery Bus for helping us celebrate National Science Week.



Years 3 - 6 at Thalgarrah for NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK



All students from Years 3 - 6 visited Thalgarrah EEC on Wednesday last week as part of National Science Week.

They were engaged in activities conducted by the University of New England Discovery Voyager team.

Learning activities included Curious Chemicals, the Purpose of Pollinations, the Physics of Sound and Living Latin where students were able to make their own creatures and give them a Latin name.



Quote of the week

Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them
what counts is best.



SRC TRIVIA

**How often do
we have
Gathering?**

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.....

