

# Newling News

Quality Education in a Caring Environment

Term 4 Week 9

9th December 2019

## Class Stars of the Week



Year 5/6



Year 1/2



Year 3/4



Kindergarten



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## School Reports

All teachers have completed their end of year student reports and I look forward to reading their comments on our students performance this year. I know your child's teacher has taken many hours to complete reports and I continue to be amazed with the talent in our school, from both teachers and students. From sporting stars to champion public speakers and spellers to musicians, our school offers an abundance of opportunities.

Results are based on classroom work, regular assessments and classroom observations. I would ask all parents to read carefully the cover of your child's report to understand the grading scale.

Reports are due to be sent home on Monday 16th.

## Transition Graduation

This Thursday our newest students will receive their graduation certificates and be welcomed 'officially' to school with the presentation of school packs in readiness for Kindergarten in 2020.

*This special Transition Graduation Gathering commences at 12:15pm.*

This is also the last day for 'Transition Class' in 2019.

## Captains Speeches and Elections

This Wednesday morning at 9:00am our Year 5 students will have the chance to present a speech to their peers to express their interest in being elected captains for 2020. Every child K-5 in the school will then have the chance to vote. Each child and teacher gets a single vote to select our school representatives to be announced on Presentation Day the following week.

## Year 6 Farewell Disco

This Thursday evening we will be hosting a Year 6 Farewell Disco. Tickets will be for sale Tuesday to Thursday at recess. The Disco will run from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

The cost will be \$2 for entry and include a drink and snack during the Disco. All money raised will go toward the Year 6 gift for school.

We look forward to all students being present to Farewell our 'Class of 2019'.

## Hour of Code

This week our 3/4 class will participate in the international 'Hour of Code' with a special coding workshop. The 'Hour of Code' has become a worldwide effort to celebrate computer science, starting with 1-hour coding activities.

I am sure the 3/4 class will make the most of this exciting

opportunity, and while they get to attend a workshop, I am sure every class will also have a lesson that involves coding experience during this week.

## Swim School

Swim School lessons continue this week up until Friday.

Our students have enjoyed the first 2 lessons and will continue to develop their confidence and improve water survival skills throughout the week.

## School Play

Our end of year whole school performance is coming up soon on Tuesday 17th December. Every child has a role in the performance and is needed on stage to make the performance possible.

Please make arrangements so your child is at school by 7:00pm on the night of the play.

## Presentation Day / Family Fun Night and School Concert / Gala Night – Tuesday 17th December

Tuesday 17th will be one huge day!

Presentation Day assembly will commence at 10:00am and conclude at approximately 11:00am, with morning tea to follow for all parents and friends of school.

The Family Fun Night and BBQ will run from 5:30pm – 7:00pm.

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

Christmas Hamper Raffles will be drawn at the conclusion of the Gala Night performance around 8:15pm.

Please reserve these dates and times in your calendar to support your child/ren.

## Christmas Hampers

The P&C are still accepting donations for the Christmas hampers up to the end of this week.

We ask that every child bring in one small donation of a food item, or small Christmas/gift item, that could be added to hampers so that on Gala Night we have five or more hampers to be given away in the raffle.

## Star Awards

"You're a Star Award" certificates were presented at this morning's assembly to successful 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 recipients: Tshayla, Austin and Waaruu .

Murray Cox  
Principal

## Important Dates

### December

Captains Speeches - 11th  
Transition Graduation Assembly -12th  
Year 6 Farewell Disco - 12th  
School Reports sent home -16th  
Presentation Day 10:00-11:00am - 17th Dec  
Family Fun BBQ 5:30 – 7:00 - 17th Dec  
School Play/Gala Night 7:30pm - 17th Dec  
Last day of school year -18th December

### January

First day of school 2020 – Wednesday 29th January  
Canteen starts Week 2 – 7th February

## P and C Notice

Next Meeting – P&C AGM is to be held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

The AGM is the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of school next year. All families and friends of Newling are welcome.

### Canteen 2020

The P&C will operate the Canteen next year starting in Week 2 on 7<sup>th</sup> February.

Volunteers are needed to run the canteen each Friday. Just one or two days each term would be of great help.

### \* Christmas Raffle \*

Newling P and C are calling for donations of non-perishable grocery items for the Christmas Hamper.

Please send any donations to the school office.

## Happy Birthday

Kyeshia 10th



Our school Facebook page needs our parents' support !!

Please ensure you are following the page with the school logo on a WHITE background



It has notifications and posts uploaded regularly.

## RAFFLE TICKETS

Please return all sold tickets and money to the school office by Monday 16th December.

All Hampers will be drawn at the school concert Tuesday 17th December.

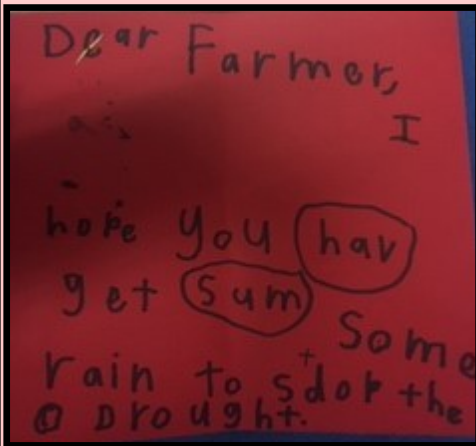
## **Tuesday 17th December**

**End of Year Performance –**

**Please ensure you have any costume requirements to your class teachers by the requested date.**

## Kindergarten News

Kindergarten have been writing some wonderful letters to farming families affected by the drought. These letters will be delivered to families over the Christmas break.



## 1/2 News

Swim School started last week for all Newling students. Year 1/2 are really enjoying going swimming on these hot afternoons.

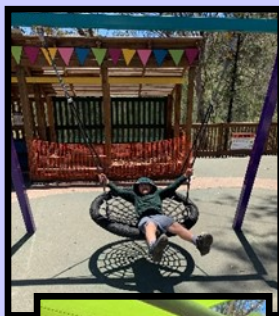
The intensive swimming lessons are a great way for kids to learn how to swim, feel confident and be safe around pools.



The school play is on 17th December and we ask that the Year 1/2 girls bring in a black T-shirt or singlet and black tights. Boys will need a white T-shirt and black jeans or trousers. Thank you!

## News From 3/4

We can't thank the P & C enough for their fundraising efforts that allowed the 3/4 class to head to Tamworth for a day of fun in the sun. We had an absolutely delightful time and it was a lovely way to end a highly successful year together. For many students, it was their first visit to the Marsupial Park and it was by far the highlight – if you would like to see more of the students in action, please visit the Newling School Facebook page.



## News from 5/6

End of Year...

Just because it's the end of the year does not mean the discussions around personal growth and maintaining healthy relationships winds down. 5/6 have been having discussions about the power of being positive and making positive choices for ourselves. This is one of our writing prompts which we have discussed at length. Sometimes, in order to be the one to help we simply need to be powerful enough to step away from the drama and start afresh.



The power of stepping away.

## The cost of Christmas

Christmas is a time of celebration, but it can also be a very difficult time of the year for families who are struggling.

We have been asked to provide all families with details of these local support agencies:

**Parent  
Line**

Free Professional Help 24/7  
For parents & carers of children 0-18 in NSW

**1300 1300 52**

Parent Line is a telephone counselling, information and referral service for parents of children ages 0 to 18 who live in New South Wales.

Parents, grandparents and carers anywhere in the state can call Parent Line on 1300 1300 52 for no more than the cost of a local call. It is available 9am to 9pm Monday to Friday, and 4pm to 9pm on weekends.

[www.parentline.org.au](http://www.parentline.org.au)



The Family Referral Service (FRS) brings together families, support services and community resources so that our children and young people are safe and well.

They work with all services to find out what best supports young people and families.

[familyreferralservice.com.au](http://familyreferralservice.com.au)



SunSmart Snippet

## The simplest way

... to be SunSmart this summer.

Consider UV levels when planning your summer activities.

When UV is 3 or above you need to **PROTECT** your skin in 5 ways:

- **Slip** on sun-protective clothing
- **Slop** on SPF 30 sunscreen or higher
- **Slap** on a broad-brimmed, bucket or legionnaire hat
- **Seek** shade
- **Slide** on some wrap-around sunglasses



Download the free SunSmart app to know what the UV levels are in your location to help plan your summer fun.

**SunSmart App is available on the App Store and Google Play**

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your schools SunSmart status by heading to [www.sunsmartnsw.com.au](http://www.sunsmartnsw.com.au)

# Family Christmas Carols

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2019

6:30pm Light refreshments

7:00pm Carols

8:00pm Supper

Newling School Hall,

80 Chapel St. Armidale

*All Welcome*

Fresh Hope Church, Armidale

More info? Call 6775 1901

**Quote of the week.**

*“ The primary cause of unhappiness is never the situation but your thoughts about it.”*

~ Eckhart Tolle



**SRC TRIVIA**  
What date is our School concert on ?

**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.....



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