

# Newling News

**Quality Education in a Caring Environment** 



Term 4 Week 8

30th November 2020

## Class Stars of the Week



**Year 5/6** 



Year 1/2



Year 3/4



Kindergarten



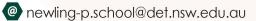


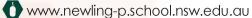


















## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### Planning for 2021

Our school planning for 2021 is well underway with teacher allocations and final budgets being organised to bring next year's plans to realisation. We also have a couple of vacant new positions to be filled and await these appointments to finalise these plans.

We are looking forward to another year of fabulous achievements with a consistent staff and clear goals for even greater results next year, and in future years.

#### **COVID Guidelines**

The guidelines for schools are continually changing as we are keeping plans fluid and changing as soon as restrictions are lifted or imposed. Events require much greater planning than usual as very detailed safety management plans must be created and risk assessments and preparations are far more detailed in the current environment. These are for the safety of your children and our staff.

The guidelines given by Department of Education must be followed and we are doing all we can to accommodate 'business as usual' at this time. These detailed guidelines are reported only partially in the media and the guidelines outside for businesses, and professional sports especially, are often quite different to our school expectations in regard to hygiene and safety.

We thank our community for the patience and understanding that has been shown and trust you can keep supporting the necessary changes we must make.

#### Camps

This week our long-awaited camps will take place for all students in Years 3 to 6. We are very grateful that these two classes will have this experience and that the camps can proceed at Lake Keepit. We hope that they have a wonderful time with a great range of fun filled activities planned.

We must also thank the teachers who give up their personal and own family time to give his opportunity to our students to care for and supervise their classes 24hrs a day.

Students not attending camps are expected to be at school and alternate lessons will be provided.

#### **Swim School**

Swim School starts today for all Kindergarten, Year 1 and 2 for the next 10 days. This year we have prioritised our

youngest students who need the water safety skills the most to participate. They will have 10 lessons to build confidence and skills in the water.

We have applied for an additional grant for swimming and hope to run our usual K-6 Swim School in Term 1 next year if things keep getting better.

#### Uniform

The school still has some brand new uniform items we purchased from another school who are changing their uniform.

There is still a selection of new bottle green polo shirts and jumpers, grey shorts and pants being sold at cost price through the Uniform Pool. We also have a limited selection of stockings, leggings, scrunchies and hair clips in school colours still available.

Please contact the office to visit the Uniform Pool or purchase items if you are interested.

#### **Expectations at school**

What happened to the school year? It has been a year like no other and the school year has disappeared seemingly faster than ever. It is hard to believe that we are finishing in 2 weeks. Things are happening at a lightning pace over the next few weeks and the one consistent is the high expectation we have for every student at our school.

One thing that does not change from today until the last day on 16<sup>th</sup> December is our school expectations. We expect to see every child every day, in uniform, wearing a hat and ready to learn. Many exciting events will be occurring in the next few weeks and the routines may be slightly different, but the same high expectations of attendance and participation will not change.

Learning occurs every day and assessments of learning will be continuing in every classroom right up until reports are sent home on Presentation Day, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

#### 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 recipients: Chloe, Saleh, Kazran, Steven, Yamun, Beau, Sebastian, Phillip and Thomas.

Murray Cox Principal

## **Kindergarten News**

Last week in English, Kindergarten students investigated the celebrations we celebrate here in Australia.

They looked at the two perspectives of Australia Day, ANZAC Day and Clean up Australia Day.

Students had an Australian picnic on Friday with ANZAC biscuits and pavlova. The picnic was enjoyed by all.



Reminder that students will be attending swimming lessons everyday this week. Students can wear their swimmers under their uniform each day. Students will need their towel, swimmers, hat, sunscreen and a water bottle. Please make sure your child's name is marked in all their clothes.

## News from 3/4

We have been learning different art techniques in the 3/4 class and one of our favourites so far is blending. We discussed complementary colours and colour 'families' to ensure we were going to make our images as effective as possible. It took a lot of focus and control to use different shades of each colour to achieve this look. We think they look amazing!







## News from 1/2

Last week Year 1/2 looked at where dairy products come from and how some are made. We then made chocolate milk and wrote the procedure.

We have also had lots of hands on activities in Mathematics this week. Our students have been very engaged and are enjoying learning new activities.









## News from 5/6

Year 5/6 had an exciting Thursday with Daniel Mallen from Fishing NSW (DPI) coming to visit them. Daniel taught the students many valuable lessons such as tying knots, legalities around fishing and of course how to properly cast a fishing rod!

While no students were able to hit the targets I still would be very afraid if I was a fish in any of the rivers around Armidale. All the kids had lots of fun and special shout out to Chloe for doing the longest cast of the day.

Ps. Camp this week! Yay!!









Look at these adorable 2021 Orangutan Calendars!

If you don't get your orders in by this Friday 4th

December, you will miss out.

Money raised will go towards helping us adopt an Orangutan. You can have a look at the program by going to The Orangutan Project website at www.orangutans.com.au

Only \$5 each, and you get to look at your child's artwork for 12 months!

What a great Christmas present!!















## **Important Dates**

- 5/6 Lake Keepit Camp

   Monday 30th November
- K-2 Swim School– 30th November to 11th December
- 3/4 Lake Keepit Camp

   Friday 2nd December
- Vision Assessment (Transition)- Thursday 3rd December
- Yrs. 3-6 return from Camp 4th December
- Yr. 6 Big Day Out
   — Thursday 10th December
- Yr. 6 Farewell Disco
   — Thursday 10th December
- Transition Graduation—Friday 11th December
- Presentation Day- Monday 14th December
- Year 6 Farewell- Monday 14th December
- Last day of school Wednesday 16th December

### **UNIFORM POOL**

The uniform pool is in urgent need of all items of boys and girls clothing, especially in the smaller sizes. Donations will be gratefully accepted and can be left at the school office.





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P&C will be running a Christmas Hamper raffle again this year.

We are asking families for donations of items that are:

- •Non-perishable
- Non-alcoholic
- •In date

Items can be dropped into the school office.

Please return all raffle tickets as soon as they are sold.

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## **Important Reminder**

Now that the weather is warming up, it is really important that all students have water every day. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school each day.

The bubblers are currently unavailable due to COVID regulations.



## Quote of the week.

"The best ideas come as jokes. Make your thinking as funny as possible."

- David Ogilvy

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