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Zoom. This our final Gathering for 2021 and the last
time our Year 6 students will host Gathering.Attendance with
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A link for the Zoom meeting will be sent to parents via the Seesaw app.

Swim School

Swim School was a great success for children in K-2 over the last weeks. We were able to secure some grants to fund this program so that every child could participate and build their confidence and skills around water.

Warmer Weather

As the weather warms up and we start seeing hot days and children looking to keep cool. Please ensure your child has a hat and a drink bottle each day. Clearly label your child's hat and drink bottle with their name. Our school rule is that children cannot play without a hat and must stay in the shade – No Hat, No Play!

One good development is that the air conditioners we installed in every classroom last year will make sure every child is extremely comfortable when in classroom and prepared for learning. We even now have them in the office spaces.

Presentation Day / Yr. 6 Graduation

This year our Presentation Day / Yr. 6 Graduation will be held on Wednesday 15th December. We are working under stringent guidelines to ensure the safety of our whole community. This year students will be receiving awards as we normally do at our Presentation Day ceremony, however guests are restricted due to the Covid guidelines we must follow.

We can celebrate our Year 6 students and achievements with some parents in attendance and will prioritise Year 6 parents.

Attendance will be by invitation only as we must control number of people present. We will provide more information in the coming weeks and appreciate your understanding and patience in this matter.

Other traditional end of year activities will go ahead, if guidelines permit. Some events such as Year 6 Farewell, Captains Speeches, and P&C Christmas Raffle are already planned as they meet the current operating guidelines for schools.

Enrolments 2022

Parents are requested to please notify the Principal if you plan to be leaving the area in 2022 or if you have not enrolled your child for Kindergarten.

The school is happy to discuss with parents the readiness of your child to start and who may be able to support you making this decision. We have a few days left of the Transition class, so please call soon if you wish to start preparing your child for school now.

If you know of any children of friends or neighbours who will be starting school next year, please ask them to call us too.

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: Brodie, Elwyn, Sophia, Isabella and Waaruu.

Principal

Murray Cox

Kindergarten News

Kindergarten have completed their second and final week of swimming lessons and they have all made terrific progress with their swimming, with many of the students now swimming short distances using just a kick board or noodle for support. Last week was also the final gymnastics lesson of the year.



Thank you to everyone who has helped during Kindergarten's busy weeks of swimming and gymnastics. These people include staff who have rearranged their days to transport us in the bus, the office staff who collect money and notes and help with organisation, and the canteen volunteers who have made sure the students all have their lunch orders before leaving for swimming on Fridays. We are also grateful to Mr Cox for subsidising the cost of these activities so that all students are given the opportunity to participate at minimal cost to families.

3/4 News

The new patterned blocks, purchased to support our numeracy program, are an excellent tool to practice mindfulness. The students have loved the quiet and peaceful task of creating mandalas with the blocks. They are so imaginative and creative, and have some brilliant designs.



1/2 News

Last week Year 1/2 went swimming every afternoon. We had a fantastic time going to the UNE Swimming Pool.

Thank you to all the instructors.

We learnt many new skills and gained confidence around the water. We are ready for Summer!!



5/6 News

What thrilling and exciting adventures 5/6 enjoyed last week!

The first of our excursions took place in Coffs Harbour, where we enjoyed a fast and furious cruise around the islands. It was incredible to hear the student's laughter as we crashed over each wave, going faster and faster. It was a new experience for many and it was beautiful to hear comments like 'I have never felt so free in my life'. Unfortunately, the sea wasn't a friend to all students as some of them felt queasy towards the end of the ride- most said they would go again though!

Our second outing was to Tamworth. We started at inflatable world, bouncing on jumping castles, racing through obstacle courses and many other activities. The second part of the day, the students enjoyed multiple games of outdoor Laser Tag. It was such a new experience for most students, having never played Laser Tag before. The students really got into the game, not wanting to finish even though it began to rain.

Again, teachers can only boast about how wonderful every child was at being an excellent representative of our school.

Important Dates

- Year 6 ASC visit— Tuesday 30th November
- Captains 2022 Speeches- Thursday 2nd December
- Gathering hosted by Year 5/6– Friday 3rd December
- P&C Meeting– Monday 6th December
- Year 3/4 Trout Hatchery Excursion– Monday 6th December
- Year 3/4 NERAM and Water Safety Excursions- Tuesday 7th December
- Year 3/4 Cooking Day– Wednesday 8th December
- Year 6 Final Field Trip, Tamworth– Wednesday 8th December
- Year 3/4 High Ropes Excursion, Coffs Harbour– Thursday 9th December
- Year 6 Farewell Dinner– Thursday 9th December
- Year 3/4 Movie Day– Friday 10th December
- Transition Graduation Friday 10th December
- Year 6 Graduation/ Presentation Day– Wednesday 15th December
- Last day of 2021 school year Thursday 16th December



P & C Notices

Christmas Raffle

Donations of non-perishable items to add to Hampers are being accepted now for the annual Christmas Hamper Raffle and are being collected at school office.

If every child at Newling can bring just 1 grocery item, we will have enough for many large hampers again this year.

Tickets will be available in December.

ASC Year 7 2022

Year 7 book packs will be available through our school canteen at the end of year for \$50.

As a welcome to high school, the P&C have kindly reduced the cost of the book packs from \$60.

The book packs contain all the necessary books and stationary, and include a scientific calculator that will be required from Year 7 to Year 12.

Parents and carers will be notified when book packs arrive and are ready for purchase.

School Uniforms

The clothing pool now have in stock some brand new uniform items being sold at cost price.

Shirts: sizes 4,6,8 and 12 – from \$6

Grey shorts: sizes 4,6,8,12,14 and 16 – from \$12

Jumpers: sizes 4 and 8- from \$12.50

We still have a small range of second hand uniform items also. Donations of school uniforms will be gratefully accepted and can be left at the school office.



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Happy Birthday November/December Ly-arnie- 28th Nero- 1st Logan- 4th



Quote of the week.

" Unexpected kindness is the most powerful, least costly, and most underrated agent of human change."

- Bob Kerrey

ABSENTEE NOTE	
(To be returned to Classroom Teacher first day back after absence)	
STUDENT'S NAME Class Date of Absence/s	NEWLING SCHOOL ARMIDALE

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