

Shakespeare at Newtown North

Congratulation to the year 6 students, Mr Butcher and Ms Tory for the wonderful productions of Romeo & Juliet and The Twelfth Night. You all did an amazing job and should be very proud of yourselves. Thank you to the parents for your support and costumes.

If you missed the performances , there are photos and recounts in this newsletter and on the noticeboards at school.

Musica Viva

Today we had Mara! from Musica Viva visit. They were fantastic and the children enjoyed the opportunity to be a part of the performance through dancing and singing. The performance introduced students to the music of Ireland, Bulgaria and Turkey and some of the unique instruments from around the Mediterranean.

2018

We have almost finalised our numbers for 2018. If you have a child in any class other than year 6 that will not be returning in 2018 please let the office know asap.

Sick Children

We still have children come down with Chicken Pox as well as a Gastro bug and heavy colds and flus. If you believe your child is unwell please keep them at home.

We are in desperate need of tissues and are asking parents to send a box in with your child/ren.

Thank you.

Head lice

Yes we have had reports of head lice in almost every year over the last week. Could you please check your child/children's hair both this week and next weekend and treat if necessary .

SRC News

As part of the SRC leadership program, the Year 6 SRC members have decided to plan a 'Friends and Food Picnic' on the grassy area. We are doing this to encourage a safe and happy environment for all ages.

This will be held on Thursday the 7th of December. It will start at 10:40 am and finishes at 11:20 am. There will be some fun friendship building activities organised by the SRC leaders around the playground.

Children will bring their own lunches, but are free to bring in a shareable dish to celebrate our diversity. All ingredients need to be labelled (no nuts, for the wellbeing of children with allergies) and we will share food according to stage groups, supervised by class teachers.



UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST:

23 NOVEMBER
MUSICA VIVA
"MARA"

8TH DECEMBER
YEAR 6 FORMAL

14TH DECEMBER
CELEBRATION OF
LEARNING

15TH DECEMBER
REPORTS GO HOME
LAST DAY OF TERM

30TH JANUARY
YEARS 1-6 RETURN
TO SCHOOL

5TH FEBRUARY
KINDY STARTS

14TH-16TH
FEBRUARY
Y5-6 CAMP

23RD FEBRUARY
SWIMMING
CARNIVAL

15TH MARCH
HIGH SCHOOL
SELECTIVE TEST

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Last Thursday and Friday nights the year sixes performed two Shakespeare plays, Twelfth Night and Romeo and Juliet, in the hall. Performing plays by Shakespeare has become an important end of year tradition for Year 6. The two plays are very different, with Twelfth Night being a comedy and Romeo & Juliet a tragedy. At first the Shakespearean language and the style was sometimes difficult to understand, but we really enjoyed the challenge and learnt a lot. Rehearsals began back in Term 3, and both groups worked very hard, often giving up their own time to practice.

On opening night, Thursday 16th November, everyone was nervous but extremely excited. Seeing both casts in their costumes, and the hall all set up with stage lighting, we felt that our plays were really coming together. Although we were nervous, once we stepped onto the stage all our hard work paid off – it was an amazing feeling to perform in front of all our families and friends. We couldn't believe how quickly the plays seemed to fly by, and how much stronger the performances were in front of a real audience.

There were a few surprises during our performances: the Twelfth Night cast was pleased to find that an adult audience responded so well to the jokes and comedy of the play. The cast of Romeo & Juliet found that some of their scenes actually made people cry!

At the end of the show on Friday night, the casts of both plays surprised the two directors, Mr Butcher and Ms Tory, with gifts and cards to thank them for putting it all together.

The Year 6 Shakespeare plays were a wonderful experience that we will never forget!



Doing the Year 6 Shakespeare plays was an amazing experience. I learnt different skills of acting and developed my confidence. It was great how every Year 6 student got to show their acting and talent, as well as got to know each other a bit better. It was a fun and creative experience.

Katie

Doing Shakespeare has been a wonderful experience. It was so much fun and I would do it again in a heartbeat. I think Shakespeare was a great choice for two reasons: Firstly, Shakespeare's plays are amazing! Secondly, now we not only know our lines but the lines of others, as well as what the plays are like, which will help us a lot in high school.

I will never forget our Year 6 plays!

Jemima



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I found the Year 6 plays so much fun! I loved everything about it, from rehearsing, to performing in front of a huge audience on a stage. Ever since I started school I've been excited to do the Year 6 plays. Every time a new Year 6 class performed their play I got so excited and found them so fun to watch.

Rehearsing was so much fun. Sometimes we just sat down and read our lines and other times we actually got to act out our characters as well. One of the best parts was when we figured out our costumes and began to perform with them on, it was so funny.

On the day of the performances everyone was so hyped up and excited and I think all of us did soooo well! Overall I loved participating in the Year 6 play and I think it was a great experience that I will never forget.

Ines



I loved being a part of the Year 6 Shakespeare plays. I loved Malvolio's comical craziness and Capulet's absolute hate. It was so fun to work with my peers and the teachers.

Alex

I built up a lot more confidence performing in front of a big audience and it was a lot more fun. I had so much fun rehearsing with Ms Tory and Mr Butcher. They are such amazing directors and the best teachers in the world. The Year 6 plays were so much fun.

Veronica

Twelfth Night was so fun. I liked missing class to rehearse, staying up late and working with Ms Tory. Jasper

The experience of being in Twelfth Night has made me a better actor, even though I don't plan to be a Hollywood star in the future. The past couple of months rehearsing and performing was filled with laughter, joy and acting, and I was so glad to participate in it.

Louis

Celebration Of Learning

Our celebration of learning will be held on Thursday December 14th at 1pm. We will be holding a combined Kindergarten to Year 6 event. It will be held in the auditorium of Moore College. This venue was chosen to enable the whole school to participate in the ceremony together.

Over the past few weeks we have reviewed the class awards presented at our annual Celebration of learning.

Class awards will include:

English

For academic achievement in English

Maths

For academic achievement in Maths

Active Learner Award

For application to class work or most improved

Citizenship Award

For the student who is actively supportive, seeks help, is safe, respectful of peers, teachers and others.

Additional awards will include:

To Grow to Help: Principals award.

Nominated by staff and students this is the student considered by the school community who always demonstrates the values of Newtown North Public School.

Sport awards:

Premiers sporting challenge

Swimming

Athletics

Dux

Chess

On Monday, the 13th of November, ten students from the Newtown North chess club participated in a chess tournament at Belmore South primary school. Two grade one students, Stella and Simon were the youngest of all the students, participating for the first time. They did extremely well with Stella winning a medal for being the most enthusiastic player, and Simon winning four out of seven games. Jasper, Alex and Oscar also received medals for their individual scores.

Overall Newtown North won the third place trophy out of the many schools who participated. Congratulations to all the students who competed this year in the various chess competitions. If you are interested in your child participating in our school's chess club please speak to Mrs Foster for further information.



NNPS 2017

FAMILY FUN FEST

FOLLOWING THE END OF YEAR
CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

THURSDAY
14TH DECEMBER
3:15 - 7:30PM

BBQ, CAKES,
JUMPING CASTLE,
CHRISTMAS
STALLS,
LUCKY DIP

FAMILY TICKET: \$15

Joel.

Community Noticeboard



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7.00PM

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