

The Buzz @Newtown North

T3, W1, 2018

Dear parents and carers

Welcome back to term 3. I trust you all had a relaxing break from the school term routine and hope you managed to enjoy some of that beautiful winter sunshine.

We have already started the term with our annual Naidoc assembly celebrating our Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander cultures and focusing on the achievements and influence of Aboriginal women on us as a community and as individuals. The students have been exploring the lives of prominent Aboriginal women and recognising the impact they have had on our community and society. The students then presented Ms Bird with a book highlighting the impact and influence she has had on the students of Newtown North and reflecting the theme "Because of her, we can...". There are more cultural experiences around the NAIDOC theme planned for the students for later in the term.

Painting and building repair.

The work to our building is continuing and the contractors have been working throughout the holidays and weekends to minimise the impact of such significant works on the school day. Please be aware that bollards and temporary fencing have been placed around the cranes and the work spaces and we request that you do not enter these areas but use the gates via the car park or the university village to enter school grounds. It is hoped that the work will be finished by the middle of the term.

Education Week is coming up and falls every year in the third week of term three. Please see the schedule of planned events in this newsletter. We look forward to seeing you here.

Newtown North Public school Information Night.

If you know anyone planning on enrolling at Newtown north next year please let them know about our information night. It will be held on Tuesday, August 14 at 6:30 in the school hall.

Elizabeth McGlynn
Principal

From the office

Lost Property

There is a massive pile of lost property at school. On Wednesday the 1st August we will return unclaimed named uniforms to students and removing all unnamed uniforms.



UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST:

1ST AUGUST
P&C MEETING

6TH -10TH
AUGUST
EDUCATION WEEK

7TH AUGUST
WAKAKIRRI

14TH AUGUST
INFORMATION
NIGHT FOR NEW
ENROLMENTS

16TH AUGUST
SPEECH NIGHT





22ND AUGUST
ZONE ATHLETICS
CARNIVAL

29TH AUGUST
P&C MEETING

7TH SEPTEMBER
ART SHOW
WKS 8,9 &10
PARENT /TEACHER
INTERVIEWS

18TH SEPTEMBER
REGIONAL
ATHLETICS
CARNIVAL

Education Week

Education Week Timetable 2018 <i>Today's schools – creating tomorrow's world</i>			
Monday 6/8	Junior choir 9am assembly 		
Thursday 9/8	Wakakirri performance grass , Concert Band 9am assembly  Whole school assembly (incl. senior choir & ukulele group) 9:30-10:15	Open class- rooms 10:25-10:50	Picnic lunch & student radio broadcast 10:50 – 11:30 
Friday 10/8	Dance groups 9am assembly STEM challenge ES1: 9:15-9:45 S1: 10:00-10:45	STEM challenge S3: 12:15-1:15	STEM challenge S2: 2:00-2:45 

P&C News

The next P&C Meeting will be held **on Wednesday, 1st August 2018 at 6:15pm for 6:30pm start. All parents and friends are welcome.**

If you would like to raise any issues but are unable to make the meeting please email the P&C at its email address NorthNewtownPandC@gmail.com. When providing any feedback, please include your full name in case we need to contact you to discuss or refer the query to the school or NOOSH.

As usual, childcare will be available for 5 to 12 year olds during the meetings. If you require childcare please notify NNOOSH by Tuesday 31st July 2018.

P&C



What's happening in Wellbeing? June/July 2018 T2 Wk 9 & T3-Wk 1

PBL Messages

Everyone has the right to belong at school. It is our job to make everyone feel welcome in our school. We all think differently, look different, and like different things- but we are all students of Newtown North Public School. One of the best ways to prevent prejudice, bullying, and discrimination is to focus on our similarities rather than our differences. Because if everyone was the same... well, life just wouldn't be very interesting!

Naidoc Week falls in the holidays this year, a week where we recognise the contributions, aspirations and plights of our first peoples- Indigenous Australians. We will be celebrating first week back next term with this year's theme: *'Because of her we can...'* Each class is learning about an amazing Aboriginal Australian Woman in the past or present- and their contribution to Indigenous Rights.

I use respectful language!



'Fortnight Focus'

We respect everyone's right to belong.

Questions you can ask at home:

- Why is it important to feel a sense of belonging?
- How do we respect everyone's right to belong?
- What can we do to make everyone feel like they belong?
- How do we prevent bullying, prejudice and discrimination?

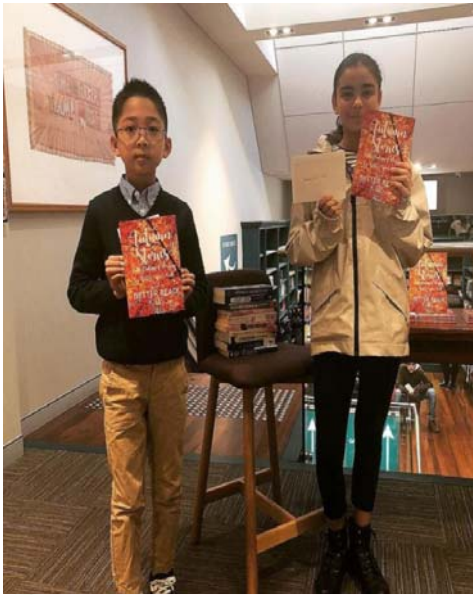
Fortnightly Focus on School Rules

An integral part of PBL is the explicit teaching of school expectations and rules. The PBL team spends time developing a social and emotional learning scope and sequence that includes a 'Fortnightly Focus' on a particular expectation. All classes have a PBL lesson each Monday that addresses the 'Fortnight Focus'. The fortnight focus will be updated in the newsletter as well as displayed around the school. You can get involved at home by discussing the focus and how it applies at school and home.

At NNPS We are... Safe - Respectful - Supportive - Active Learners

Writing Competition

On Sunday the 24th of June, Better Read than Dead launched the final anthology in the seasonal Better Read Kids writing competition series!



Congratulations to Newtown North's own, Harleen R who was the runner up for her short story 'Autumn Leaves' about two friends who go in search for a missing dog amongst the falling leaves of autumn.

Harleen has donated some of the Anthology books to including the book with her own story to our Library . You will find some familiar names in some of the books, like Clementine B-B, Temperance C, Ellen C , Kyra M and Coco F.

If your child is interested in writing and you would like them to enter details of Better read than Dead's next writing competition are below.



BETTER READ KIDS



WRITING COMPETITION



Are you a budding creative writer **aged 8-14?**
Write a short creative piece (approx. 800 words) about the theme:
TWISTED FAIRY TALES

The winners will receive a
Better Read Than Dead voucher!
First Prize: \$100 Voucher
Honorary Prize: \$50 Voucher

Encouragement prizes will also be given to any entry that catches our attention or stands outside the box.

Each entrant will receive a published anthology of all the entries!

Please email all entries to **mischa@betterread.com.au** as a Word Document attachment. Clearly state your full name, age, and the title of your work in the body of the email.

Please ensure that you receive a reply to your entry within a couple of days, otherwise resend the email.

Entries close on the
1st September

Winners will be announced at an in-store event on
Sunday 23rd September

Community Noticeboard



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CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Newtown North Public School is held on Tuesdays from 10:50am to 11:30am, starting on 24 July 2018.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

Kids!! Have fun learning to speak Mandarin

Mandarin Language Club at Newtown North Public School!

Mandarin Stars
Language Clubs
for schools

Free Trial
Class!

The Mandarin Stars program offers:

- An engaging program that will inspire a love for learning Chinese.
- An immersion-based program that teaches strong listening and speaking skills in Mandarin.
- Language building activities such as role play, Chinese songs, rhymes and games!
- The teaching of Chinese characters, reading, writing and Pin Yin.
- The discovery of Chinese history, culture, festivals, Calligraphy, Tai Chi and even Kung Fu!

Mondays in the old computer lab!
3.15pm – 4.00pm Kindy– Year 2/3
4.15pm – 5.00pm Years 3 - Year 6

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fun mandarin for kids

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