Newlands Primary School
“Encouraging Excellence”

Newsletter
No.22/2016
Friday 5/08/2016

Newlands Kids are Great Kids

SCHOOL MOTTO: ENCOURAGING EXCELLENCE
SCHOOL VALUES: COURAGE, PERSISTENCE AND RESPECT

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Dates To Remember - Term 3

August

Fri 5 Swim Program week 4 of 6
Newsletter published

Mon 8 Newlands Read-a-thon begins

Fri 12 Swim Program week 5 of 6
Comedy Gala Night
Camp full payment & medical form due!

Mon 15 School Council meeting 6.15pm

Wed 17 Items due for the newsletter

Thu 18 THE TALK – 6pm Prep Room
PFA meeting 7.15pm

Fri 19 Swim program FINAL WEEK
Newlands Read-a-thon finishes
Newsletter published

Wed 24 3 day Camper for Years 3 to 6 commences

Wed 31 Athletics Day
Premier’s Reading Challenge Finishes
Items due for the newsletter

September

Fri 2 Newsletter published

Fri 9 Book Parade
Grandparents Day

Wed 14 Items for the newsletter

Thu 15 PFA meeting 7.15pm

Fri 16 Newsletter published
LAST DAY TERM 3

Last Updated: 5/08/2016

New School Website
As we edit and improve our new website we would like to draw your attention to these ongoing improvements.
One such improvement is the ability for perspective parents to book a school tour via the school website.
This function can be found on the new website in the drop menu: Starting at NPS.

Newsletter
Now we have our new website we would like to reduce paper copies of the newsletter. A form is attached to this newsletter asking parents to nominate which type of newsletter you would prefer for the remainder of 2016; paper copy or electronic version.
It is our intention for 2017 to move to an electronic version of the newsletter and discontinue producing paper copies of the newsletter.

NAPLAN RESULTS
The media has, once again, engaged in a feeding frenzy about the NAPLAN. I would like to assure all parents of students in Years 3 & 5 that we at the school are NOT privy to this information for another two weeks; which is totally unacceptable. Parents can expect to receive their child’s individual NAPLAN report closer to the end of term three.

Meeting with Minister Merlino
I attended a meeting with the minister along with a number of my principal colleagues. The minister presented information covering a range of topics from funding, infrastructure and the vision for education in the State of Victoria...............all very interesting!
So, what I can report is that Gonski is gone! And this government will continue to support government schools, catholic schools and independent schools as part of its existing funding and resource model.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Parent Surveys
If you still haven’t returned your survey there’s still time. Please return by Tuesday 9th August.
Good News Story........Maybe!
Yesterday the preps were photographed for an article to appear in The Age newspaper at the weekend. The article’s central premise is on language learning in Victorian schools.
Why us? Well it’s mainly to do with our Spanish emerging bilingual program. I was interviewed about our approach, why Spanish and what are the benefits for our children in the long term.
All I can say is that this hopefully will be a positive reflection of Newlands into the wider community.

Better Health Channel
KidsMatter Resources

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you and your family would like some extra support at any time. Please phone 9354 2928 to make an appointment.

Sonya O’Brien
Student Wellbeing

REMININDERS

Tiqbiz Upgrade
Existing users
Tiqbiz has released an update. It’s a compulsory app update that needs to be made by everyone.
The app will need to be updated then opened and logged in to activate the new tiqbiz.
Please refer to the attached flyer for instructions on how to download/update.
New users
Attached also is a flyer explaining how to upload the app to your smart devices.

Library News
Newlands Read-a-thon
8/08/2016 till 19/08/2016
As part of the celebrations, Read-a-thon winners announced will be announced at the Book Parade – Friday 9th September.

Book Week Celebrations
Theme for this year’s Book week is "Books Light Up our World"
Finish of Book Week and Dress Up day at Newlands - Friday 9th September
Read-a-thon forms will be sent home the first week of term 3.
To find out more about Book Week, go to http://cbca.org.au/bookweek.htm

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School Camp Years 3 to 6 Payments and Medical Forms; Due Friday 12th August

COMEDY NIGHT SECTION
NEWLANDS COMEDY GALA IV
There are still balcony seats available, book now!
Melanie McGrath
NEWLANDS COMEDY GALA IV

A stunning line-up featuring:
Tony Martin * Sammy J * Candy B *
Luke McGregor * Lauren Duong
Hosted by Nelly Thomas

The hottest comedy event north-side rolls around again, with Nelly Thomas at the helm of a whole new set of stellar performers.

As well as the stars on stage, there will be our traditional Monster Auction, a bar full of beverages to quench your thirst and, for the first time, delicious home-made offerings to stave off your hunger.

Book your tickets now at
https://www.trybooking.com/MESR

Friday August 12, 2016
Doors open 7.00pm for a 7.30pm show.
Strictly 18+.
Preston City Hall 284 Gower Street, Preston(cnr High Street)

Tickets $35-$40 full / $25 concession
Tickets at round tables on the ground floor: $40 - book a table with your friends!
Tickets in the balcony, theatre-style seating*: $35 - great with a couple of mates!
All concession tickets $25

* No food or drink may be taken into the balcony, but balcony patrons are encouraged to visit the bar area before the show and during intermission

Follow us on Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/events/1541779689450705/
BACK AFTER POPULAR DEMAND!
We all know our kids have lots of questions about their bodies... and all that stuff... but lots of us find it hard to talk about it! Come to this fabulous info session for parents by comedian, health advocate (and Newlands mum) Nelly Thomas. $12 per couple or $8 per individual (pay at the door)

RSVP
Mulynda Blease
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or at the office

SAVE THE DATE
Thurs 18th August
6pm, Prep Room

THE TALK LIVE
In this highly acclaimed presentation based on Nelly's ground-breaking DVD The Talk and live shows - The No Means No Show & the Condom Dialogues - Nelly talks to parents about how to talk to kids about bodies, puberty, relationships and everything else to do with the birds and the bees and what's below the knees.
✓ Tips and tricks for getting the conversation happening
✓ What to talk about and at what age
✓ Follow-up resources for parents

Parent Event - no kids please!
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Please return this slip by: Monday 15th August

We have read the information provided regarding the type of newsletter we would prefer to receive.

We would prefer to receive a paper copy of the newsletter for the remainder of 2016.

[ ] Yes [ ] No

We would prefer to view the newsletter via the school website only and not receive a paper copy.

[ ] Yes [ ] No

If we receive no response slip as requested, we will assume that you would prefer to view the newsletter online at our new website: newlandsps.vic.edu.au
Thank-you

Ross Dudgeon
Principal

Parent Signature: Parent Name:
We're now using an app to send our messages, newsletters and notices.

The tiqbiz app will help our school keep parents fully informed and up-to-date with newsletters, notices, news and events.

It's easy to use and also has the benefit of helping reduce our paper consumption by printing less.

The first step is to download tiqbiz to your phone, tablet, computer... or all of them.

Search for: tiqbiz

Available on the
App Store

iPhone and iPad

Important: Click ‘allow’ notifications when asked. This is to allow your school to send you important alert notices.

Android smartphone and tablet.

Google play

Windows & Mac computers.

www.tiqbiz.com

Once installed, follow the steps on the next page to tick on our school.

Find and tick our school

1. Log-in
Open tiqbiz and register/log-in.

2. Find our school
Click the ‘Find’ icon and type our school name into the search bar. You will now see all of our school boxes.

3. Tick on
Click on the grey tick beside our school box and any other boxes that apply to you. When the tick turns green, you’re connected.

4. Inbox
Click on the Inbox icon. This is where you will receive our information

Technical Support 9am-5pm Mon-Fri (AEST)

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