FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Work Experience Students

We welcome two of our ex students back to Neutral Bay this week – Hannah Blount and Katherine Zhu. Both girls are participating in their Year 10 work experience programs. We hope that they enjoy their time with us. Lachlan Smith, another ex student, will be with us next week.

Junior Dance and Glee Club Performances

Congratulations to all the boys and girls in Years 3 and 4 who performed for us last Thursday. We really enjoyed your performances. Many thanks to all the teachers, involved – Ms Hudson (KH), Mrs Pope (2P), Ms Solomon (KS), Ms Irvine (2I) and Ms Wondracz (1W). The Glee Club performances were also wonderful. Glee Club is open to all years 4, 5 and 6 boys and girls and is a great opportunity for children who enjoy singing and dancing. Thanks to Miss Taylor for her organisation of the Glee Club performances. We have so many talented boys and girls at NBPS.

Stage 3 – Years 5 and 6 Performances

Stage 3 performances will be held in the hall tomorrow at 9:30am. We are looking forward to a varied and energetic showcase of the talented Year 5 and 6 children. All Year 5 and 6 Parents are welcome to attend.

Year 6 Camp

Next week our Year 6 children will spend three days at the Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens. This is a wonderful opportunity for our senior boys and girls to engage in a range of fantastic outdoor activities while spending time with their friends before moving on to high school. Activities include: bushcraft, canoeing, high ropes, raft building, survivor challenge, mud world, giant swing etc.

My thanks to all the Year 6 teachers who are giving up their time to provide this special opportunity for the children.

School Bus Passes for 2015

If your child is in Year 2 going to Year 3 in 2015 and they are eligible for a free bus pass, you will have to re-apply. If you are not sure of your eligibility for a free pass, please come to the school office to view a map. ALL the Year 2, 2014 free bus passes will be cancelled at the end of this year.

Outstanding School Fees 2014

School fees for 2014 are now outstanding. Parents, please check your child’s school bag for reminder notices. All accounts must be settled as soon as possible. Should this be a problem financially, please contact me in writing. All matters will be handled in strictest confidence.
Calendar Dates

November
13\textsuperscript{th} - Years 5 and 6 Performance – 9.30am – 10.45am
17\textsuperscript{th} to 19\textsuperscript{th} - Year 6 Camp
21\textsuperscript{st} - P & C School Picnic – 5:00pm
25\textsuperscript{th} - School Chess Competition
28\textsuperscript{th} & 29\textsuperscript{th} - Schools Spectacular

December
1\textsuperscript{st} - Drama Club Performance – 2:00pm
3\textsuperscript{rd} - Year 6 Interrelate – 6:30pm
7\textsuperscript{th} - Bands Concert – 4:00pm
9\textsuperscript{th} - Years 1 and 2 Final Assembly – 9:30am
10\textsuperscript{th} - Years 3 and 4 Final Assembly – 9:30am
11\textsuperscript{th} - Years 5 and 6 Presentation Day – 9.30am
12\textsuperscript{th} - Kinder Graduation & Year 6 Mini Fete
15\textsuperscript{th} - Year 6 Farewell 6:00pm
16\textsuperscript{th} - P&C End of Year Drinks
17\textsuperscript{th} - Picnic and Party Day

Gai Collett
Principal

STARS OF THE WEEK

Thank you to the Backstage Crew – Josh Bulfin (5T), Barnaby Castle (5T), Harry Windsor (5T) and Haoran Zhou (5T) who did such a great job with props for the Glee Club performances.

All of the Year 3 and 4 junior dancers - you all did a SPECTACULAR job at the showcase last Thursday! Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication - every dance looked amazing!

Olivia Keen (5K) and Sammi Brender (5T) for helping Junior Dance. They attended every dance rehearsal, helping the Year 3 and 4 students choreograph and learn their routines. They also helped with the sound and lighting for the show. They showed great leadership qualities and initiative - we couldn't have done it without you!

Congratulations Declan Predavec (6J), Nikita Pussell (6J) and Nicolas Palmer (6J) who presented their Bin I.T. project as part of the annual Pearcey Awards to the NSW Minister for Finance Dominic Perrottet at NSW Parliament House. Fantastic work!
G20 Summit

Last Wednesday at 9:30 I was picked up to be taken to the Channel 9 studio in Willoughby.

A person called Jennifer led us up to the Finance Meeting Room which had people setting up cameras. Toby was already sitting there with a few other students from different schools who were also there.

Then, Simon put a mini microphone on all of us, mine connected to my belt. Then we started talking about what we thought it will be like on television. Next, Simon clapped to tell us to start and then Jennifer asked us all sorts of questions like: How much pocket money should children get? What do you think about Ebola? What age should you get married? and many more. We had afternoon tea (fruit) and lunch (sandwiches) in total they were filming for 2 ½ hours but we are going on television for only 4 minutes! By Bezi 4P

On Wednesday the 5th November I went to channel nine in Willoughby. I went there because I was getting filmed for the today show because they wanted to do a Junior G20. Me and my Dad waited for a while and the Jennifer took us to the finance Meeting Room. We got started as soon as the personal microphones were put on us. They asked us questions like, What do you think about ebola? Or Pocket Money? Or who makes a better leader boys or girls/ I did this with 9 other students It was a fun experience and I look forward to watching it on TV. By Toby 4P

2C IPAD NEWS

2C used Piccollage to create a collage of their favourite things.

Ms J Carew
2C Teacher

T-Ball Report Week 5

Despite a busy week of rehearsals and concerts, our teams came away with 3 wins and 1 loss. Remember T-Ballers, it's all about the way we play the game, not whether we win or lose.

In a very tight game, our Year 6 Competitive team won 28-27. It all came down to the final hit of the game and Oliver Mulder (6B) took the saving catch in spectacular style. Well done on some amazing teamwork and brilliant fielding!

The Year 6 Social team won 36-26. Alex Kourakis (6B) shone, with 4 amazing home runs!

The Year 5 Competitive team played against a spirited Year 6 team from Beauty Point. The final score was NBPS 28 to Beauty Point 13. Hugo Stanlieck (5T) was nominated as the best all-round player of the match!

Our final game of the day was the Year 5 Social team. It was a tough game, with our team losing to Beauty Point, 12-19. Elise Rudan (5T) was nominated as the player of the match for her good team play and leadership.

Remember next week’s training is for the two Social teams!

Miss Taylor and Mr Brown
(T-Ball Coaches)
P&C Fundraising & Events Coordinator

Are you looking for a great way to contribute to our School community? The volunteer role of P&C Fundraising Coordinator is available and could be the perfect opportunity. In the past the volunteer fundraising role has been undertaken by one person, however given the expansion of our school it has been recommended that a fundraising team be formed to perform the main functions;

- Fundraising & Events
- Sponsorship & Donations
- Administration & Communications

The Fundraising & Events person would be appointed to the P&C Executive, and would oversee the Sponsorship and Administrative roles. If any of these roles appeal to you, or if you would like to chat further, please contact Julie Nearhos (0417 192 603) or Sharmila Soorian (0408 281 828) for a discussion.

The P&C Executive would like to thank Julie Nearhos for her taking the 2014 Fundraising Officer role. Julie has organised and ran important events at the School including the welcome drinks, picnics, plonk, carnival and mothers & father's day stalls. Julie will be stepping down by the end of the year and we wish Julie all the best.

2014 Annual General Meeting

The P&C executive would like to advise all P&C members that the 2014 Annual General Meeting scheduled for Wednesday 26 November will be rescheduled to Wednesday 10th December 2014. The purpose of the AGM is to adopt the 2014 audited financial statements, table the P&C annual reports and election of office bearers & representatives. The reason for the postponement is that the auditors are needing some time to audit the P&C accounts. There will be a P&C General Meeting scheduled on Wednesday 26th November. Thank you for your understanding.

P&C End of Year Drinks

Some parents have expressed that they would like to contribute to a retirement gift for our School principal, Gai Collett. The P&C will be collecting any contribution via Flexischools (2 weeks prior to the event) and any contribution can also be made at the School office.

The P&C invites all parents and School staff to the P&C End of Year Drinks in December. The P&C has worked closely, co-operatively and productively with Gai for the 10 years she has been the Principal at the school. Gai has been a tremendous contributor to the progress and development of the school. She has been involved in the approval and construction of several major School buildings, implementation of various Information Technology upgrades including the roll out of iPads, pioneer leadership in the Empowering Local Schools program and has provided great energy and impetus to school life generally. Please come and join us on Tuesday 16th December, 7pm at the School Hall. Invites will be handed out via pupil mail in the next coming weeks.

Sharmila Soorian P & C Secretary

The NBPS P & C warmly invites all NBPS families to 2 fabulous events on 1 big night!

Friday 21st November, 2014 5:30pm - 8:00pm School Grounds and Hall

1st Event- End of Year Twilight Picnic! Join all your friends for our great community. BYO Picnic and Disco!

2nd Event – The NBPS Cake Competition! All cakes must be delivered to the Multi Purpose building by 6pm sharp for judging. Categories for kids and Big People - $2 per entry. Please have your name and Year Level (if child entry) clearly marked. All cakes to be auctioned at the Picnic with proceeds donated to the school. More information coming – check your emails for updates.

**Please note all children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. In the event of bad weather, the evening will continue to go ahead in the Hall and under the COLA.**
Hello from the Uniform Shop

What a busy week it has been! Thank you to everyone who has been using the Flexischools system to order uniforms - we’ve been inundated this week and it's been great! We are processing the orders daily and aim to get them delivered the day after you place your order.

We are still working through the back orders from when we took over at the start of term and we thank you for your patience while we get up to speed. If you are still waiting for an item to be delivered, and are concerned that it has been overlooked, please drop us an email at nbpsuniformshop@gmail.com with your order number, date, and item(s) you're waiting for and we will look into it ASAP.

Thanks,
Elizabeth, Stacey, Kate & the uniform shop volunteers

3S children in a ‘Stop Motion’ animation workshop

BAND NEWS

Junior Band 2015

Thanks to all those families who have returned Instrument Selection Forms to the office. If you would like your child to join our Junior Band next year, the Band Handbook and Instrument Selection Forms are on the school website under the Band tab: http://www.neutralbay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/curriculum-activities/band. Please return the Instrument Selection Form either to the office or send it in with your child to the ‘Blow Test’ on Monday 17th November. Children without signed forms will not be able to attend the ‘Blow Test’. We encourage all families new to the band program to attend the Junior Band Open Rehearsal and Information Morning on 24th November at 8.15am - this is a great opportunity to gain an overview of the Band Program and ask questions.

Reunion Band rehearsal

Concert Band please note Reunion Band Rehearsal on Sunday 30 November from 2.30pm - 5pm, always a great chance to catch up with old friends from the band program who are now in high school over a sausage sizzle in between practice sessions.

Important dates:

Monday November 17th starting at 9:30am - Year 2 (and any other interested parties) Blow Test
Monday November 24th at 8.15am - 9.15am Junior Band Open Rehearsal and Information Morning for Year 2 students (and other students interested in joining the band program) and their parents
Sunday November 30th from 2.30pm - 5pm - Reunion Band rehearsal
Sunday December 7th from 4pm to 6pm - End of year Concert for all Bands and 25th Birthday celebration
Wednesday 10th December 9.30am - Senior Band performing at Years 3 and 4 Final Assembly
Thursday 11th December 9.30am - Concert Band performing at Years 5 and 6 Presentation Assembly

Claudia Stephens, Liesel Wightwick and Karen Au - Overall Band Co-ordinators
**Canteen Volunteer Needed**

The success of the school canteen Volunteer depends heavily on volunteer work. At the moment we are running a little short on volunteers as the schedule below shows. We are very grateful indeed to the regular volunteers but this is a special call to encourage a few new people to come and help out occasionally. It would be great if we could spread the workload a little more thinly and add more people to our regular contributors. The sign-up process is now online and is very quick and simple. Please register at [https://www.signupgenius.com/register](https://www.signupgenius.com/register). Once registered you can go directly to the NBPS Canteen Roster page.

Another warm thank-you to the volunteer team in Week 5 and to volunteers who have already filled in the timetable slots in advance.

Next week’s special is Beef Stroganoff with Mashed Potato.

The roster for next week is below. **If you cannot make your rostered spot, it would be enormously helpful if you could find a replacement before phoning 0426 226 235 or emailing nbpscanteenroster@gmail.com**

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Michelle Alejo – Canteen Coordinator

**Community News**

🌟 **Neutral Bay Public School Year 4 Parents’ and Teachers’ Christmas drinks**

Join us for an evening with other parents and year 4 teachers Saturday 29 November, 8pm – midnight 119 Milson Road, Cremorne Cost: $10 per person Snack food served, BYO drinks

Please place envelope with names and payment at the mail box next to the office by Tuesday 25 November

🌟 **Neutral Bay Public School Year 6 Parents**

Just a reminder about the photos for the Year 6 Dinner presentation. If you haven’t already please send two photos of your Year 6 child/ren as detailed below to this dedicated email nbpseyear62014@gmail.com by Friday 21 November

a. A Kindergarten (or first year of primary school) aged photo of them – in school uniform or not, whatever school they attended

AND

b. A Current – 2014 – photo of them, in school uniform would be good but not a problem if you can’t get one.

Full body or head only, it doesn’t matter. Please save each photo with your child’s name. eg

JaneSmith2008 and JaneSmith2014

If you’d rather not have your child’s photo included please email using the same address nbpseyear62014@gmail.com
Kids Up Front is producing a Peter Pan Musical Show in their holiday camp at Shore School Theatre (North Sydney)
Monday 5th to Friday 9th January (Flyers are at the front office)
We have Neutral Bay Public School performers.
If your child enjoys singing, acting and dancing and would like to be part of the fun you can register on www.kidsupfront.com.au (Places available for 5 to 14 year olds)
Show is on Friday 9th January at 3:00 pm and all are welcome.

Mosman Musical Society Presents – Cinderella - A Pantomime by Norman Robbins
29th & 30th November, 2pm and 6th December, 2pm & 6pm. At Middle Harbour Public School
Tickets now on sale www.trybooking.com/108822
Cinderella is proudly being performed by Mosman Musical Society. It is a traditional pantomime based on the fairy tale, complete with slapstick humour, cross dressing ugly sisters and modern day songs. Fun for the whole family!

Sydney City Youth Ballet Presents – The Nutcracker
16th to 21st December at the Glen Street Theatre.
Bookings: 9975 1455 or www.glenstreet.com.au
The Nutcracker is proudly being performed by the Sydney City Youth Ballet.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS
Thursday 18th & Friday 19th December are school development days.
Before and after school care will be open both days from 7:30am to 6pm to care for your children if you need us.
Wear: Mufti
Bring: Morning tea and lunch
Cost: $45 per child per day CASH in advance
To Book: Please phone us on 9953 9366 or enrol on the form at the BSC/ASC front desk. Payment must be received prior to secure your booking.

This Sunday 16 November from 3:30-7:30 St. Augustine's Anglican Church in Neutral Bay will be collecting groceries at Woolworth's on Grosvenor Street in Neutral Bay for Anglicare. We invite all families to stop by and donate non-perishable items and drop off at any of the doors. All items will be donated to Anglicare who will distribute the items to families in need. Come see if you can spot some of the Neutral Bay Primary School kids who are donating their time for this great cause.

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