Stage 3 Performances

Congratulations to all our Years 5 and 6 girls and boys on their terrific performances last week. You are all stars! Many thanks to the teachers and Mr Tan for their organisation.

Congratulations Mrs Willingham (3EW)

Congratulations to Mrs Willingham on the birth of her beautiful baby son last weekend – Bruce William, 3.9kg. A brother for big sister Elizabeth. We look forward to meeting Bruce soon!
Our Condolences to Edwards Family

Our sincerest condolences go to Melissa Edwards, Bailey (KL) and Bodie (5K) on the recent passing of their father Alistair. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this sad time.

Year 6 camp

Our Year 6 children are having a great time at camp!

P & C Family Picnic – Friday

Reminder: We are hoping to see a large number of parents and children at the P & C Family Picnic this Friday evening – 5.30pm to 8:00pm. BYO chairs, rugs and picnic fare. The Disco is always very popular and this year there will be a cake competition for our cooks. Note: cakes must be delivered to Multi Purpose Room by 6:00pm for judging.

Band Parent Information Session

Year 2 parents and others interested in joining the School Band program in 2015 should attend the Band Parent Information Session in the Hall next Monday 24th at 8:15am. This meeting will cover costs, commitments, expectations of parents etc.

Schools Spectacular

We are all looking forward to next week’s Schools Spectacular – it really is the most amazing showcase of talent. This year’s show features 3,600 students from 400 NSW Public Schools. A cast of 2,000 dancers, choir of 1,300 and an 80 piece full symphony orchestra!
There will be two performances on Friday 28th and Saturday 29th November.

We have both dancers and choir members performing this year.

I wish all our performers the very best of luck.

My thanks to Miss Grimshaw and Miss Spagnolo – (Dance) and Miss Taylor and Miss Pagel (Choir).

**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.

**Calendar Dates**

**November**

- 21st - P & C School Picnic – 5:00pm
- 24th - Band Parent Information Session – 8:15am in the Hall
- 25th - School Chess Competition
- 28th & 29th - Schools Spectacular

**December**

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

**January 2015**

- 28th - Years 1 to 6 commence school
- 29th - 5OC students commence school

**February**

- 2nd - Kindergarten commence school

*Gai Collett*  
Principal

**STARS OF THE WEEK**

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<td>Congratulations to Maddison Hand (2G) who won the National Final of the APDA Physie and Dance Championships. This is her second year in succession at being named National Champion. Great achievement Maddison!</td>
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KH News

KH have been learning all about the weather! Last week we learnt about wind, and made kites to show us what the wind can do. We had lots of fun flying them outside in our playground!

Miss Hudson
KH Class Teacher

2P News

2P have been making clay starfish for a new display in their classroom.

Mrs Pope 2P Class Teacher
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.**

Remaining 2014 P&C Meetings

Please join us for last two P&C meetings of the year as we would like to prepare for an exciting 2015!

On 26 November, the P&C would like to discuss fundraising for next year, volunteering at the canteen and any other things parents would like to discuss. Come with suggestions and ideas as we have heard parents would like see different events taking place next year. And we have dads telling us that if we had compulsory rostering in the canteen once a year planned well in advance, they would love to come! So why don’t we try to get all families once a year in the canteen (mums and dads)?

The AGM is now scheduled on 10 December and if you would like to nominate for a role, come and talk to us. As advised in the last newsletter, Julie Nearhos, our current fundraising coordinator, is moving on and we are seeking someone to replace her and suggesting to form a little team, as we have a Treasury team. Speaking of treasury roles, we have two vacancies. First Lauren Longden, who is Assistant Treasurer, just accepted a full time position, and will therefore relinquish her position on the P&C Executive. The role is not very time consuming but requests a bit of time flexibility to do some of the banks deposits post fundraising events for instance. Second, Sarah Inglis, who has been canteen treasurer for many years is looking at retiring next year, so we also need someone to replace her. The role can be performed remotely, but requires timely payments (including wages). There would be a period of overlap with both Lauren and Sarah in the first quarter so that you feel comfortable taking over. Please do not hesitate to contact Anne Moal, current treasurer, on nbpsandctreasurer@gmail.com or 0418 499 065 if you would like to learn more.

A good to think about how you could contribute to your school community in 2015. Donations and dollar contributions are very important obviously to support the school, but a bit of your time is ALSO EXTREMELY VALUABLE for fundraising and the canteen.

P&C End of Year Drinks

All parents and School staff are invited to the P&C End of Year drinks. To RSVP, please go to the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1q440df3-ly6Z3oZQS6hPfj8H20sE1rZ83-RvwMM8nGA/viewform
Hello from the Uniform Shop Team

Another busy week for us in the shop and with the online orders - all going really well! We have had a few items out of stock recently but we are getting new deliveries in and will get caught up with all the back orders ASAP.

I know we still have about a month left of school term before the summer holidays but I wanted to give you all plenty of notice regarding the uniform shop opening hours and Flexischools order processing for these final few weeks.

The shop will continue to be open on Tuesday mornings (8.30am-9.30am). Our last day will be Tuesday 9th December. We will be closed on the last Tuesday of term.

Flexischools orders will continue to be processed on a daily basis. The last day for placing Flexischools orders for delivery before the holidays will be 3.50pm on Thursday 11th December.

Any orders placed after that time will be available for collection from school on January 27th 2015 (the day before school starts). We haven't finalised the times for that day but are provisionally looking at being open from 8.30am - 10.30am for Flexischools order collection as well as having the uniform shop open. We will confirm times before the end of term.

Elizabeth, Stacey, Kate & the Uniform Shop volunteers

BAND NEWS

Junior Band 2015

It has been wonderful to see so many excited Year 2 children trying new instruments this week. It looks like Junior Band 2015 will be full of energy! Letters will be sent out to families in the coming week advising of instrument allocation, please check your children's bags for these. We encourage all families new to the band program to attend the Junior Band Open Rehearsal and Information Morning on 24 November at 8.15am - this is a great opportunity to gain an overview of the Band Program and ask questions. If for some reason your child missed the Blow Test on Monday 17 November and your child is keen to join the band next year, please get in touch with Claudia or Liesel as soon as possible.

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 24 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 30 2.30pm - 5pm - Reunion Band rehearsal
Sunday December 7th: 4pm to 6pm - End of year Concert for all Bands and 25th Birthday celebration
Wednesday 10 December 9.30am - Senior Band performing at Years 3 and 4 Final Assembly
Thursday 11 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 News

Canteen Volunteers Needed

This is another special call to encourage few new parents and carers to come and help out as we are running a little short on volunteers every week. We are very grateful indeed to the regular volunteers but we need more people to help. 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 quick and simple. Please register at https://www.signupgenius.com/register or email us at nbpscanteenroster@gmail.com

Another warm thank-you to the volunteer team in Week 6 and to volunteers who have already filled in the timetable slots in advance for this Term.

Next week’s special is Hokkien Noodles with Chicken.

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

Sydney TAFE

WOMEN’S COURSE

Refresh your skills and build the confidence to apply for the job you want...to pursue further study...to make a change! Certificate II Skills for Work & Training for Women includes a Work Experience Program, Computing, Communication, Workplace Writing, Interview Skills and more.

Information session:
Wednesday 26th November 2014 at 10:00am, Ultimo TAFE, Room D6.26, Building D, Level 6, Harris Street
Enquiries: Anna Petrou OR Sylvia Nichols Phone: 9217 3724 OR 9217 3718
Email: anna.petrou@tafensw.edu.au OR sylvia.nichols@tafensw.edu.au
The Cliffo Sea Scouts Christmas Tree Sale is on again.
Saturday 6\textsuperscript{th} and 13\textsuperscript{th} December
From 7am at: Neutral Bay Public School – Yeo street. \url{www.cliffoscouts.com}

Neutral Bay Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events that may be of interest. Neutral Bay Public School does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events.