FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CONGRATULATIONS MR ADAMS

Congratulations to Mr John Adams (6J) and his wife Rachelle on the birth of their first baby. Poppy Isabel was born on Monday - 51cm and 3.5kg. We look forward to meeting her soon.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The students, teachers and parents take pride in our school uniform at Neutral Bay Public School.

A reminder that students must wear black shoes as part of their school uniform. Except for sport, black shoes are worn with all uniforms. Joggers, gym boots and shoes of other colours are not appropriate. If a student has a sporting activity, please ensure they carry their black school shoes in their bag so that they can change into black shoes at the end of the activity.

In the case of a foot injury, please send a note addressed to your class teacher informing them of the injury. Children must always wear enclosed shoes on school grounds. Thongs and sandals are not permitted under any circumstances.

Winter uniform is currently optional until Tuesday 10th June. Students must wear their winter uniform from Tuesday 10th June. Please visit our website for a full description of the school uniforms at http://www.neutralbay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/school-uniform

CONGRATULATIONS DANCERS

Both our senior dance groups will be performing in the Sydney North Dance Festival on the following dates:

Monday 23rd June  7:30pm
Thursday 26th June  5:00pm
Friday 27th June  9:45am

Tickets go on sale next Monday 2nd June at 8:30am in person at the Glen Street Theatre or by phone from 10:00am.
**SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE CONCERT TICKETS**

Our Senior Choir is performing in the ‘Bennelong’ concert at the Opera House on Wednesday 6th August, 2014.

Ticket Sales for the Festival of Choral Music for the ‘Bennelong’ concert open Wednesday 18th June from 9am. They are only available for purchase from Sydney Opera House Box Office. The Arts Unit or Neutral Bay Public School do not handle bookings.

*A note was handed to the students at choir practice on Tuesday morning. Please see Ms Pagel if you did not receive this note.*

Adults $40, Concession/ Students $33

**REFORMS TO P&C FEDERATION**

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school's P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department's website at


**SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS**

There are two parent positions to be filled for the Neutral Bay School Council. Where there are more than two nominees for the two parent positions, the process for electing parent members is by secret ballot before the next P&C meeting on Wednesday 11th June. All nominees, the seconder of the nominees and voters must be paid members of the P&C by Friday 6th June. For information about becoming a paid member of the P&C please contact Lauren Longdon by email: lauren@insumer.com.au. A nomination form will be available on the school’s website link below) from Wednesday 28th May to Tuesday 3rd June. Voting will take place from Wednesday 4th June to Wednesday 11th June at 7.30pm (at the commencement of the next P&C meeting). Please hand nomination forms in a sealed envelope to the office addressed to Mr Tan.

Link to parent nomination form:

UPCOMING DATES

June
Thursday 5th  Disco K-2 from 2-3pm & Years 3-6 from 6-8pm
Wednesday 11th  P&C Meeting
Thursday 12th  Area Cross Country
              Year 6 Excursion to Imax
Monday 16th   Year 1 Excursion
Monday 23rd   Dance Performance – 7.30pm
Tuesday 24th  Years 3 and 4 Performance
              Year 4 Medieval Day
Thursday 26th  Kinder Incursion
              Dance Performances – 5.00pm
Friday 27th   Semester 1 reports sent home
              Dance Performance - 9.45am
              Last day of Term 2

July
Monday 14th  Staff Development Day
Tuesday 15th  First day of Term 3 for students

Gai Collett
Principal

Stars of the Week

Alex Au was awarded an A in his Grade 4 saxophone examination – Well done Alex!

Congratulations to Alysha Airey 5T who won a Gold Medal in Jack Newton Junior Golf competition at Gosford Golf Club recently. She will also play in the PSSA golf trial at Warringah Golf Club next week.

Good luck Alysha.

The Glee Club and Ms Taylor. An exciting performance group for our children to sing, dance and act.

The Computer Programming Club run by Ms Carnegie and Mr Predavec. What a wonderful opportunity for the children to have at lunchtimes each Wednesday.
On Monday 26th May, the Neutral Bay Girls AFL team participated in the Paul Kelly Cup regional finals held at Moore Park. The girls were only given limited time to prepare for the event and performed exceedingly well. In the pool rounds, Neutral Bay came up against some very strong teams and played 4 games spaced closely together. They competed against Coogee, Dulwich Hill, Willoughby and Narrabeen North. Despite being smaller than many of the other girls, the team held their positions and won every game. They used their speed and skills to out-manoeuvre the opposition. The semi-final was an extremely hard fought match against Cherrybrook who led 1 - 0 for most of the game. Against all odds, the girls banded together closely and managed to kick a goal winning 1 - 6. In the finals Neutral Bay once again encountered Willoughby and due to some unfortunate decisions in the first half, trailed 15 - 0. They again banded together for a valiant last attack, losing closely in the end 21 - 19.


Jonathon Ticli - Class Teacher 6T
DEBATING

On Wednesday, both our debating teams visited Cammeray for two interesting debates. The ‘Eloquent Articulators’ lived up to their name debating the topic ‘That school holidays should be longer.’ They were on the affirmative side of the debate. Unfortunately, they lost narrowly in a close result. The ‘Confident Confronters’ argued against the topic ‘That boys and girls should go to separate schools.’ In a close result, they were awarded the debate. Thank you to the parents who drove.

Congratulations to both teams on their first debates of the season. The ‘Eloquent Articulators’ are: Anja Skilton 6T, Natalie Kendy, Aidean Allen 6T, Reuben Wilder 6B and Loukas Triantis 6A. The ‘Confident Confronters’ are: Declan Predavec 6J, Nikita Pussell 6J, Olivier Daish-Gorge 6B, Ethan Rowe 6J and Sophie Hilton 6J. Well done also to Mrs Jane Cant and Mr Jon Adams, the debating coaches.

Mr Victor Tan – Deputy Principal

PSSA SOCCER

A hard fought game against a determined Middle harbour team on a warm May afternoon ended with a satisfactory 2-0 win for the A team of Neutral Bay. There were goals in boths halves. The first goal was a powerful strike from Lachlan Edwards, followed by a skilful, individual goal from Inigo Castro sealed the points. A winning start to the season. Long may it last!!

Mr Rob Kessler – 5K Class Teacher

A brilliant blue sky day for a great game of soccer at Primrose Park against Middle Harbour Public School. Whilst the end score was nil all this did not reflect the Neutral Bay B team’s tenacity. We repeatedly shot at goal but were just unlucky - Middle Harbour had an ace goalie who made it impossible to score. Excellent opportunity however for our team to play against a challenging opponent.

Maxwell Wait – 6B

On Friday afternoon, C team played against Middle Harbour. The ball went up and down the field all game! In the first half Tom scored a brilliant first goal. The C team fought hard to keep it out of their goal and had some hair-raising misses! The score 1-0 stayed for the rest of the match.

Lukas Robinson - 5K
PSSA Netball

The As game was very strong and had some excellent attack plays. Sophie Bateman had a strong game. The team work of these players is improving and they are beginning to really gel. They lost but they made the very tall Mosman side work hard for their win. Well done girls.

B1 lost but fought hard. Billie always put herself in a good position to receive a pass and Sam was a great at goal keeping. This team thinks they can improve through growing taller, but short of this (excuse the pun) they know they need to ‘get in front’ of the players. From a coaches point of view this team is like many who have a lot of what it takes in attack but need to improve defensive plays.

B2 lost but fought hard. Amelia’s play is noteworthy as she worked very hard in defence. The girls play well our attack skills were very strong with fast passing. We will have to work on some defensive play, especially intercepts. I would have to say that these players improve before our eyes each game. They are working hard to improve and it shows. Leah was a hardworking centre, Cordelia showed great tenacity and got to the ball quickly. Stella worked tirelessly as did Elise and Zoe. Both Olivia and Jemima were successful at their shots on goal. Well done to all the team.

C1 had a convincing win 6:3. Most of the opponents’ goals were scored in the second half. Fantastic shooting came from Brianah and Indy. Indy improved throughout the game. Importantly she was learning how to attack and use the circle to improve shooting position. Kylie showed her tenaciousness and provided some great defence and quick thinking. Sassy was great at moving into space and getting to the ball. Rani was quick moving into space and there was some strong breaking from Lexi Georgia Lia and Aimee. This team needs to improve on breaking out into space.

C2 has been regraded to the D division. The girls were disappointed by this but not by the end of the game: they had a convincing win. It is easier to develop skills when you play at the correct grade. Laura played centre aggressively, never giving up the ball and working well with Claudia in goal attack. Also Alysha was great at finding space. This team will be working on; taking the time to shoot, making players and general defensive tactics. Congratulations on the win girls!

Last week the Boys’ team had a bye.

Mrs Jane Cant - 5C Class Teacher
Neutral Bay Public School

Disco K-2

Thursday 5th June

When: Between 2:00 and 3:00pm in the School Hall.

Theme: Disney/Pixar

All K-2 children can wear their Disney or Pixar outfit for the day – don't forget your dancing shoes.

Cost: $3 (which includes a drink) – to be collected by SRC reps in the morning. All proceeds to Stewart House.

Brought to you by your all-singing, all-dancing, disco-organising SRC Representatives.

Neutral Bay Public School

Disco Years 3 to 6

Thursday 5th June

When: Between 6:00 and 8:00pm
Where: School Hall
What to wear: Your disco gear

Cost: $5 – payable on entry (which includes the evening’s entertainment, a drink and a snack). All proceeds go to Stewart House.

Parents: Please collect your children from the COLA at 8:00pm sharp

See you there!
Dear Parents,

Thanks very much for the parents who have already contributed, this is very much appreciated. In case you have lost the yellow form, this is not a problem, you can still make the payment to help funding the wonderful music and science programs that all the kids enjoy in the school, but which are not funded by the Department of Education. We are also aiming at supporting further laptop deployment throughout the school and the reading program. To get there, we need you!

Here is how you can pay if you have lost the yellow form

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The requested amount as per the vote at the AGM last year is A$165 per child up to two children, A$65 for the third child and nothing for any other siblings. However you can elect a different amount, all contributions are welcome.

If you also would like to be a member of the P&C, which gives you the rights to vote for the P&C, but also for the school council, and there is such a vote at the next P&C meeting, please add your annual membership to the payment. It is A$10 per member. We need to receive membership payments by June 4th to entitle members to participate to the vote at the next P&C meeting on 11 June 2014 at 7.30pm.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the treasurer Anne Moal at nbpspandctreasurer@gmail.com or on 0418 499 065.

See you at the next P&C meeting!

Sharmila Soorian – P&C Secretary
KUMUSTA KAYO [HELLO] FROM THE CANTEEN

A big thank you to Michelle, Claire, Dee and Anthony who just happened to be in the right place at the right time, just before the bell rang on Monday. I coaxed them into the canteen to do labels and some sandwiches. We had a cancellation and another not being able to make it in before 10am, with only one other rostered on we desperately needed a little help. As the old adage goes… More hands make light work. Even with the 20 to 30 minutes you were there, it made such a difference and we could not have got through Monday without you … again thanks!

It really is amazing how much better the canteen runs with a few extra hands in the morning and most of the time, 20 minutes is all we need. If you are just having a chat after the bell goes, why not bring your friend in and make a few sandwiches, you still get your chat in and you would really be helping out. Or after reading groups, stick your head in the door to see if you can be of help.

Apart from the spots that need filling next week (see below), we require one volunteer for a full shift this Friday 30th May. Please let us know if you are available.

Next week’s special: Pumpkin Soup with Bread Roll

Here is the roster for next week

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ICAS Science | Year 4 Excursion

Kate Leveaux – Canteen Coordinator
**Band News**

The Sydney Eisteddfod and NSW Band Competition are fast approaching, so do keep practising!

**Important Band Dates - 2014**

- **Monday 16 June 2014** - Concert Band - Sydney Eisteddfod, Concourse, Chatswood
- **Tuesday 17 June 2014** - Senior Band - Sydney Eisteddfod, Concourse Chatswood
- **Saturday 26 July 2014** - Concert Band - Alex Lithgow Primary School Premier Event, NSW School Band Festival, UNSW Kensington
- **Sunday 27 July 2014** - Junior Band - Wilbur Sampson Primary School Concert Band Event, NSW School Band Festival, UNSW Kensington
- **Sunday 17 August 2014** - Senior Band - Robert McNally Primary School Concert Band Event, NSW School Band Festival, UNSW Kensington

Claudia Stephens, Liesel Wightwick and Karen Au - Overall Band Co-ordinators

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**Uniform Shop**

**Hello from the Uniform Shop**

We're getting close to the changeover to winter uniform (after the June public holidays) so make sure you get your orders in.

Please note that the uniform shop will be open on the Tuesday following the public holiday from 8.00 - 9.30 am instead of Monday.

I would also request that parents do not send their children to the uniform shop with large sums of cash.

If you are unable to come to the shop please use FlexiSchools I or send us an email and we'll try to help.

Thanks

*Thank You from Jonathan & the Uniform Shop Volunteers*
COMMUNITY NEWS

AFTER SCHOOL PIZZA & PLAY AT THE PARK

**Kindy families** are invited to meet at Barry Street Park after school on **Thursday 29th May**. Meet at Barry Street Park. Order your specially discounted pizza at the Neutral Bay Club and come to the park to play! **Or Eat In** if it rains!

[melinda.hayes.001@gmail.com](mailto:melinda.hayes.001@gmail.com)

CALLING ALL YEAR 1 FAMILIES

Please come along to an informal **Year 1 Picnic Morning**, from **10am - 12 pm, Sunday, June 1 at Brightmore Reserve** - the bike track at Primrose Park.

**BYO**: Kids, siblings, spouses, food, drinks, picnic rugs, bikes and scooters [footballs etc]

**Wet Weather Option**: We will reschedule to June 8.

For


FOUND PROPERTY

The office has 2 pairs of purple framed glasses. The adult pair is in a brand-named case and the child’s pair does not have a case. Please come to claim soon.
**COCKTAIL PARTY - YEAR 4 - REMINDER**

A Cocktail Party for parents, carers and teachers is to be hosted on

**Saturday May 31 at 8pm in Milson Road, Cremorne.**

Light refreshments provided, BYO welcome.

Year 4 parents can sign up and pay $10 per person in the assigned security box at the school office by Saturday 23rd May.

*Dana Casimaty, Year 4 Coordinator – mob 0404 673 010*

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**ABC 1 DOCUMENTARY CASTING CALL**

ABC TV is developing a documentary that looks at the frantic pace of life in the modern family. Production company 360 Degree Films is currently casting for Sydney-based families with one or more children under 17, including single parent households, who feel they are stuck in the ‘more-more-faster-faster’ family model thrust upon us these days. At least one parent must be willing to change the pace of their super-scheduled family life.

The producers are also casting for tweens and teenagers who feel over-scheduled and want to start a debate about how to dial down the pressure in their own families. However if you are under 18, please ensure you have full parental permission before you make contact.

The program will look at what happens when global ambassador for the Slow Movement and advocate for calming the pace of family life, Carl Honoré, enters three Australian homes where gadgets rule and fast is the only speed. He unplugs the kids and parents. He tears up their jam-packed schedules. He serves up a recipe for making family life a journey or an adventure rather than a rat race.

Will slowing down make family life happier, healthier, richer and more rewarding? Or is there no turning back? Carl’s slow coaching will last **4 weeks**. Filming will take place over **6 weeks** in October and November this year.

If you are a family who genuinely relates to this topic please contact Alex at familycasting@outlook.com.au

If you’d like to know more about Carl Honore visit [www.carlhonore.com](http://www.carlhonore.com)

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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.