WELCOME BACK!
I would like to welcome everyone back to school for Term 3. I hope all our children and their families enjoyed the winter holidays and are feeling refreshed and ready for the new term. Term 3 will be another busy term. Parents may wish to note the following dates. The calendar is on the school website.

UPCOMING DATES

July
Wednesday 23rd  OC Test
Thursday 24th  Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 29th  Education Week Opening Morning, K-6, 9:30 – 11:00

August
Wednesday 6th  Senior choir Performance at Opera House
Monday 11th  Parent Info Session - Anxiety
Tuesday 12th  Year 6 Science in the City Excursion
Wednesday 13th  ICAS Maths
Thursday 14th  P&C Meeting at 7:30pm
Friday 15th  Year 5 Science in the City Excursion
Thursday 28th  Year 3 Excursion
Friday 29th  Zone Field Events

September
Tuesday 2nd  Zone Track Events
Kinder 2015 Parent Tour
Monday 8th  Year 5 Excursion to Archibald
Tuesday 9th  Year 6 Excursion to Archibald
Wednesday 10th  P&C Meeting
Thursday 11th  Year 2 Excursion
Friday 12th  K-2 Sports Day
Year 4 Excursion to IMAX
Saturday 30th  Spring Fair
**KINDergarten Enrolments for 2015**

Parents of children with siblings wishing to enrol in Kindergarten next year should download the form from the school's website and present to school office this week.


**Selective Schools Offers – Year 7 2015**

Congratulations to all our Year 6 boys and girls who have been offered places in Selective Schools in 2015. The table below indicates numbers of children who have been offered places or have been placed on the Reserve List and will be offered places in the next few months.

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**School Zone Enforcement by Police**

I have been notified by Senior Constable Garrett from Harbourside Highway Patrol that she has been appointed to the position of School’s Enforcement Officer for our school. This is a new position which involves identifying traffic issues around our school and conducting enforcement operations to address these issues.

Constable Garrett has informed me that police will be conducting “ongoing traffic enforcement operations and that motorists detected committing traffic offences will be issued with on the spot fines”.

I know that there are a number of parents who regularly park illegally, drive dangerously etc. in Ben Boyd Road and Bydown Street at “drop off” and “pick up” times.

You have been warned!
PARENT INFORMATION SESSION – WEDNESDAY 6\textsuperscript{TH} AUGUST

I would like to invite, and encourage, parents to attend the Parent Information Session on Anxiety to be held on Wednesday 6\textsuperscript{th} August at Mosman High School. Here at school, we see many children express anxiety – about school performance, friendship issues, separation from parents, home issues, etc. I know parents will find this session very informative and useful. Professor Hudson is an engaging speaker and an expert in this field.

WHAT: "Understanding anxiety in our children and how parents can best help"

A presentation by Professor Jennifer Hudson from the Centre for Emotional Health at Macquarie University. Jennie combines insight from her own research with practical strategies which parents can use to help their children. She also brings the understanding that comes from being a parent herself.

WHEN: Wednesday 6 August 2014 at 7.30pm

WHERE: Mosman High School, School Hall, Military Road (between Avenue Road and Belmont Road), Mosman

FOR WHOM: Parents of primary and high school children from any school are welcome

MORE INFORMATION: mosman-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

OUR CARNIVAL

Don’t forget to send in goods for our Carnival. This is our major fundraiser for the year and a wonderful school community event.

Please send in

- Second hand books and games, clothes in good condition, pre-loved teddy bears
- Wheels – bikes, skate boards, prams, roller skates etc
- Homemade jams, chutneys, sauces etc.
- Gifts for the chocolate wheel – NEW games, sporting equipment, toiletries, vouchers
- Wine, home wares, jewellery, music etc. etc.

We are all looking forward to a fantastic fun day.

Thanks to Mona Martyn-Smith and Kristina Lawton who are the tireless Carnival organisers this year!
**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – YEARS 3-6**
Parents will receive a permission note for the children in Years 3-6 to participate in our Annual Athletics Carnival to be held at Narrabeen Sports Academy on Thursday 24th July. Please return signed permission notes and money ASAP. We are looking forward to a great day. Parents are most welcome to join us.

**EDUCATION WEEK OPEN MORNING – TUESDAY 28TH JULY 9.30 – 11.00AM**
Invitations will be sent home this week to our Education Week Opening Morning to be held on Tuesday 29th July. Our program for the morning will include:

- Performing Arts Showcase – featuring bands, choirs, dance groups, orchestras, Glee and Drama Clubs and Kindergarten performances
- Class visits
- Donate A Book display in the Library.

All our parents and friends are most welcome to join us in celebrating Education Week 2014.

Miss Mazey, our Teacher/Librarian, has purchased a range of inexpensive books for parents to purchase for our library collection. Most of these books have been identified by the children and teachers as titles they would like to see in our library. Book plates with the donor children’s name will be featured in all purchased books.

**JUNIOR DANCE AUDITIONS – YEARS 3 AND 4**
Interested boys and girls were given notes regarding auditions for Junior Dance Groups today. Auditions will be held next week –
- Year 3 Wednesday 23rd July at 8.00am in the Hall
- Year 4 Friday 25th July at 8.00am in the Hall

The children must be punctual, wear comfortable clothes and be able to commit to weekly rehearsals on these mornings.

**STEWART HOUSE USED CLOTHING BAGS**
Please return by Wednesday 23rd July [Week 2].

Gai Collett
Principal
Stars of the Week

All our boys and girls who have returned to school so bright and happy, in full winter uniform, ready to participate enthusiastically in all school activities.

All school staff – teachers and office staff – who completed our annual Anaphylaxis training on Monday. We will all update our CPR and Emergency qualifications on Saturday with an accredited NSW Ambulance Service educator. This annual training for all staff ensures that we are able to confidently look after any child in the event of an accident, illness or other emergency. Many thanks to all our staff!

The wonderful Uniform Shop team who have put in so many hours ensuring that all our children have everything they need for winter. A fantastic service to our parents. You are stars!

School News

DONATE A BOOK

As a part of Neutral Bay Public School’s Open Day on Tuesday 29th July the May Gibbs Memorial Library will be holding a Donate-a-Book event.

There will be a range of books available in the school library for families to donate to our library. The books available cover a wide range of topics and interest areas and many have been requested by students.

The Donate-a-Book morning will run from 8.30am – 11.30am. Prices range from $5 to $30, and payment types accepted will be

- cash
- cheque made payable to Neutral Bay Public School
- Visa or MasterCard and
- EFTPOS.

We look forward to seeing you in the library on Open Morning, Tuesday 29th July.

Janine Mazey, Teacher/Librarian
What lights up 4C's life? Our Vivid experience! At the end of last term 4C went as a class to visit our poles that we decorated under the Sydney Harbour Bridge. The installation acknowledges the importance of education and creativity in the community.

We had fun looking at our creations and seeing them holding up the beautiful star lanterns.

From a touch screen we were able to control the colour of the bridge.
2014 Neutral Bay Public School Raffle

All families would have now received the raffle booklets and raffle forms. Please support the school and the raffle donors by selling the tickets to family, friends and neighbours or to keep for $3 per ticket. Please do not send your children to sell the tickets unaccompanied by an adult.

Raffle prizes include:

First prize - One Week Holiday Accommodation at Avalon Beach by Palm Beach Holiday Letting valued at $2000

Second prize - Dental Treatment by Dr David Young and Associates, Chatswood, to the value of $650

Third prize - Voucher for 1 pair of single vision glasses with complimentary antirefection coating from Specsavers Neutral Bay valued at $299

Fourth prize - a mixed case of 12 premium wines plus a bonus bottle of French champagne from Cellarmaster Wines valued at $250

Fifth prize - Carolyn Unwin natural hand-woven summer straw hat by Carolyn Unwin collections valued at $250

Sixth prize - Eco friendly gift basket donated by Cadeau and Bliss Pty Ltd valued at $200

Seventh prize - Selection of books and dvds for both adults and children from Dymocks Neutral Bay valued at $100

Eighth prize - Gift Voucher for one Unstress Facial Treatment by Neutral Bay Natural Beauty valued at $99

Raffle Committee

Orchestra and Senior Chamber

The Orchestra and Senior Chamber participated in the Sydney Eisteddfod on Thursday 19 June. The Orchestra performed Fernando's Tango really well. Senior Chamber performed 4 seasons and was awarded highly commended for their performance. Senior Chamber participated in a category where high schools chambers also competed so the results were fantastic.

The Orchestra meets on Wednesdays from 7:45 to 8:45 am at the multipurpose room. If you are interested in playing the violin, viola, cello or double bass for the Orchestra, please contact the School office.

Sharmila Soorian – Orchestra Coordinator
Welcome back. We hope you all had a good holiday and ready for a very exciting term- because THE SCHOOL CARNIVAL IS ON!

So we need all the help we can get.

**3 Vacancies currently available are:**

- Person/s who can set up a website for the carnival.
- Person who will set up an online spreadsheet (e.g Doodle) that will allow volunteers to log in and enter their times where they can help.
- Person/s who will walk around to our local businesses and ask for donations.

Contact us at [nbpscarnival@gmail.com](mailto:nbpscarnival@gmail.com)

Get your donations to the school- unloved teddies, books, board games, children clothes, unwanted gifts that you are happy to donate to the school carnival that are in good condition to sell. PLEASE.

If you are up to cooking - we would love some of your favourite recipes- Jams, Marmalades, Chutneys, Preserved Fruits.

We now have space donated by Kennards Hire again in Artarmon so drop off to office and we will take it from there.

This year we have a new fun activity organized for our children 7 Years and up.

WATCH THIS SPACE KIDS - you will love it.

Please email with offers of help or donations to [nbpscarnival@gmail.com](mailto:nbpscarnival@gmail.com)

Looking forward to hearing from you.

**Kristina Lawton and Mona Martyn-Smith - Carnival Coordinators**

0414 371 061
WELCOME TO TERM 3!

I am pleased to announce Michelle Alejo has taken over from me as canteen coordinator. Michelle is step mum to Kirra Webb (5T) and Blake Webb (2G). Michelle can be contacted on 0481 456 999 or, of course, on nbpscanteen@gmail.com

Welcome aboard Michelle!

As I mentioned last term, flavoured milk is no longer on the menu. During Term 3 hot chocolate can be pre ordered on FlexiSchools, as well as at the window. Kindergarten children can also pre order, but only on Wednesday - and the Moosie fairies and elves will deliver it.

I have noticed that there are quite a few recurring orders set up on FlexiSchools, including orders with chocolate and strawberry milk from last term. Could you please cancel or amend these orders. If these are not changed we will have no other option but to put plain milk in the lunch bag. Same goes for Friday specials please. Last term we started alternating between Pizza & Lasagne and Pies & Sausage Rolls on a fortnightly basis. When going around to classrooms on a Friday morning to speak to children to change their lunch preferences because they had placed their order for the off week, we asked the children (some repeatedly) to cancel these recurring orders, but there are some still remaining.

Next week’s special is Chicken Schnitzel Burger. New on the menu starting Week 2 will be homemade spinach and ricotta triangles, curry puffs, dolmades, and hommus.

The roster for next week is below. **If you cannot make your rostered spot we would appreciate your finding a replacement before phoning the roster phone on 0426 226 235 or emailing nbpscanteenroster@gmail.com**

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Kate Leveaux – Outgoing Canteen Coordinator
Welcome back after the holidays - it has been wonderful to see our dedicated band children (supported by dedicated band parents!) turning up to rehearsals on these cold early mornings ready to practise for the next competition which is just around the corner….. Please keep an eye out for emails from your individual band co-ordinators concerning further details about the UNSW Band Festival events listed below.

We are also looking forward to a performance by each of the bands on 29 July 2014 as part of the school's Education Week Performing Arts Showcase - stay tuned for more details. Each band will perform one piece.

Finally a very big thank you to our Junior Band Co-ordinators Joceyln Greig, Nazley Slamang and Linda Harvey and their terrific band of parent helpers for their efforts at the Year 3 and 4 Concert in the last week of Term 2. Together, they managed to get our biggest band ever on stage and off in record time - including all percussion, keyboards, amps etc. Not to be outshone by their roadies, Junior Band were fabulous at the concert and should all be very proud of their efforts. They have come so far in such a short period of time, we are really looking forward to their upcoming performance at the NSW School Band Festival at the end of next week.

**Important Band Dates - 2014**

Saturday 26 July 2014 - Concert Band - Alex Lithgow Primary School Premier Event, NSW School Band Festival, UNSW Kensington - arrival time 2pm, parent transport

Sunday 27 July 2014 - Junior Band - Wilbur Sampson Primary School Concert Band Event, NSW School Band Festival, UNSW Kensington - arrival time 9am, parent transport

Tuesday 29 July 2014 - Education Week Performing Arts Showcase - Junior, Senior and Concert Bands at Neutral Bay Public School

Sunday 17 August 2014 - Senior Band - Robert McNally Primary School Concert Band Event, NSW School Band Festival, UNSW Kensington - arrival time 10.15am, parent transport

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

FORSYTH PARK PLAYGROUP

The playgroup at Forsyth Park welcomes children under 5 who would like to socialise and meet new families. Meets on Tuesdays 9.30 – 11.30am.

Enquires to Esther 0448-042-756 or elumduan@hotmail.com

North Sydney Recreation Needs Study – Have Your Say
North Sydney Council is encouraging everyone who lives, works, studies or plays in the North Sydney area to have their say on current and future recreation needs over the months of July and August, 2014.

Ways to have your say

Post a comment: www.facebook.com/NorthSydneyRecNeedsStudy

Attend a workshop: 6.00 – 8.00 pm on Wednesday, 23rd July 2014 in the Hutley Hall, North Sydney Council, 200 Miller Street, North Sydney.

The draft Study will be on general public exhibition for information and comment in October/November 2014.

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.