Carnival – 10 Days To Go!

We are all really excited about the Carnival – Saturday week – 30th August – 1-6pm. Don’t forget to buy your tickets on FlexiSchools now!

Boys Vocal Workshop

A Boys Vocal Workshop conducted by the DEC Arts Unit will be held here at school on 13th October. It is open to boys in public schools in Years 3 – 12. It is aimed at encouraging boys to enjoy singing. The workshop will be led by conductor Peter Lehner who will focus on “vocal warm ups, techniques, ensemble singing and an exciting repertoire” of fun songs. Ms Pagel and Ms Langlois have the forms for interested boys. The cost is $30.00. Forms must be returned to music teachers by this Friday 22nd August.

Operation Art 2014

Congratulations to Samuel Harris KS, Oliver Taylor Ellis 4HR, Leon Fink 3EW and Blythe Ogilvie 4HR whose art works will be exhibited at the Armory Gallery at Sydney Olympic Park from 6th – 26th October. The exhibition will be opened by artist Del Kathryn Barton and the children’s families have been invited to the opening. More than 10,000 visitors are expected to view Operation Art with many teachers and students participating in visual arts workshops. We are very proud of our young artists.

Premier’s Spelling Bee

Congratulations to all our class finalists in the Premier’s Spelling Bee. The competition again this year was very tough.

Year 6
Winner - Lachlan Ward 6J
Runners Up - Jack Ford 6T, Kalliope Coroneos 6J and Owen Hawes 6A
Year 5
Winner – Aiden Odenthal 5T
Runner Up – Aaron Chua-Tran 5C
Some of the words the children had to spell included triptych; ophthalmology; logarithm, bougainvillea; caricature; xanthorrhoea.
We wish Lachlan and Aiden the very best of luck!

SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR

Congratulations to the following children who will be performing in this year’s School Spectacular.


Dancers – Noa de Jager, Nathalie Wilder, Jasmyn Sharp, Evie Watts, Lucy Rathbun, Lia Sison, Briahna Forder, Simrin Hartmann, Brittney Lu, Ushnami Upadhaya, Bronte Cram, Rose Richardson.

My thanks to the teachers involved.

Please note: tickets are on sale from Tuesday 2nd September. See the Schools Spectacular Website.

UPCOMING DATES

**August**

Thursday 28th | Zone Field Events
Friday 29th  | Zone Track Events
Saturday 30th | Year 2 Excursion

**September**

Tuesday 2nd | Kinder 2015 Parents Tour
Thursday 4th | School Council Meeting – 8:00am
Friday 5th  | P&C Fathers Day Stall
             | Raffle Draw
Sunday 7th  | Fathers Day
Monday 8th  | Year 5 Archibald Excursion
Tuesday 9th | Year 6 Archibald Excursion
Wednesday 10th | P&C Meeting
Thursday 11th | K-2 Sports Day
Friday 12th | Year 4 IMAX Excursion
Wednesday 17th | Multi Faith Scripture Service
Thursday 18th | Junior Choir – Town Hall – 7:00pm
Friday 19th | Last Day of Term

School resumes on Tuesday 7th October.

Gai Collett
Principal
Congratulations Senior Band on winning Gold at the Primary Schools’ Band Competition at UNSW on Sunday. A fantastic achievement which was testament to all the hard work and many hours of rehearsals! Well done boys, girls and Mr Brown. Many thanks to all the parents who assisted.

Congratulations to Declan Predavec 6J, Nikita Pussell 6J and Nicolas Palmer 6J who won the Young ICT Explorers Competition on the weekend. They won an Amazon Kindle Fire device for the school and a trophy. Well done to our wonderful young inventors! You are stars!

Our Junior Choir who will be performing in the Primary Proms concert at the Sydney Town Hall later this term. Last week they attended a rehearsal in the city. Good luck Junior Choir and Ms Langlois.
Oliver Sams 2P, Sebastian Sams 4B and Jack May 4HR spent time during the holidays exploring the Sydney Basin. They have produced a beautiful Power Point presentation to share with their classes. The Aboriginal rock carvings they viewed are wonderful. Great work boys.

Congratulations and a big thank you to Jenni de Jager, Sandra de Lange, Jessica Keen, Melinda Hayes, and Allison Macfarlane who have been securing thousands of dollars worth of offerings for the Silent Auction and the Chocolate Wheel at our Carnival. Great effort ladies. Much appreciated.

Spring Carnival News

*We welcome our new Carnival Sponsor.*

*Spring Carnival is on Saturday August 30th 1pm to 6pm.*

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW via FLEXISCHOOLS**

11 Sleeps to our Carnival on August 30th from 1pm to 6pm.

Book your tickets on Flexischools (avoid congestion on the day)

Our Silent Auction is now online. Over 100 items are up for sale. Go to

http://www.32auctions.com/nbps for some fantastic prizes. Thank you to all parents and local businesses that donated.

You can also book your child for their Laser Warrior Session. Go to


Please remember it is $5 for 15 minutes of fun and to your child needs to be there 10 minutes prior to their allotted time to kit up. You do not need to print your tickets, we will have a list on the day.

Cake Competition: We are holding this event later in the year.

Café Bydown: We will be asking you to start baking soon, Cake boxes will be going home with request to make a sweet/savoury slice, cake, sausage rolls, pies etc, etc.

Please, Please check your class roster for the day, and ensure that you can be there. If not ask a parent to swap.

We are still accepting donations of books, vouchers, CD’s; Games so do not stop now!
Kindy and Year 1 parents: Please return your Lucky Dip bags ASAP.

Thank you to our sponsors and all our local business supporters.

Our major carnival sponsor this year is Belle Property Neutral Bay, which was recently named Australia’s best boutique network for the second year at the 2014 Real Estate Business Awards.

The Belle Property Neutral Bay team will join us on carnival day as volunteer assistants to our busy stallholders. They will also have thousands of balloons for the kids – just follow the white and green!

Of course, our carnival is all about getting together, having fun and raising money for our school but if you would like to find out about today’s market, feel free to ask one of Belle Property’s experts.

Cake Competition News Alert!

For all our budding cake-baking and decorating foodies, please note that our annual NBPS Cake Competition will be held later in the year in November, to coincide with our School Picnic. Students and our NBPS community will have the opportunity to bake up a storm and enter their wonderful creation in this great event. All cakes will be sold at the end of the evening to lucky picnic-goers, to raise money for NBPS. More information to come early in Term 4 - watch this space!

Fundraising & Events Team

BOOK WEEK 2014

The Children’s Book Council of Australia celebrates Children’s Book Week this week. The theme for this year’s celebration is “Connect to Reading”. Throughout the term students have explored many books shortlisted by the Children’s Book Council in their weekly library lessons. Last Friday the Book of the Year winners for 2014 were announced, the winners, honour books and shortlisted titles are shown below.

Book of the Year: Younger Readers

NOTE: These books are intended for independent younger readers

- **Winner:**
  - City of Orphans: A Very Unusual Pursuit – Catherine Jinks

- **Honour Books:**
  - My Life as an Alphabet – Barry Jonsberg
  - Light Horse Boy – Dianne Wolfer
- **Shortlisted titles:**
  Violet Mackerel's Possible Friend – Anna Branford & Sarah Davis
  Song for a Scarlet Runner – Julie Hunt

**Book of the Year: Early Childhood**

NOTE: Intended for children in the pre-reading to early reading stages

- **Winner:**
  The Swap – Jan Ormerod & Andrew Joyner

- **Honour Books:**
  I'm a Dirty Dinosaur – Janeen Brian & Ann James
  Banjo & Ruby Red – Libby Gleeson & Freya Blackwood

- **Shortlisted titles:**
  Baby Bedtime – Mem Fox & Emma Quay
  Kissed by the Moon – Alison Lester
  Granny Grommet and Me – Dianne Wolfer & Karen Blair

**Picture Book of the Year**

NOTE: Intended for an audience ranging from birth to 18 years. Some books may be for mature readers

- **Winner:**
  Rules of Summer – Shaun Tan

- **Honour Books:**
  King Pig – Nick Bland
  Silver Buttons – Bob Graham

- **Shortlisted titles:**
  The Treasure Box – Margaret Wild & Freya Blackwood
  Parachute – Danny Parker & Matt Ottley
  The Windy Farm – Doug MacLeod & Craig Smith

**Eve Pownall Award for Information Books**

NOTE: Intended for an audience ranging from birth to 18 years. Some books may be for mature readers

- **Winner:**
  Jeremy – Christophe Faille & Danny Snell

- **Honour Books:**
  Ice, Wind, Rock – Peter Gouldthorpe
  Welcome to My Country – Laklak Burarrwanga and Family

- **Shortlisted titles:**
  Jandamarra – Mark Greenwood & Terry Denton
  Yoko’s Diary: The Life of a Young Girl in Hiroshima – Paul Ham (ed.)
  Meet . . . Captain Cook – Rae Murdie & Chris Nixon

**BOOK WEEK COMMENTS**

Throughout the term students have been exploring texts shortlisted by the Children’s Council of Australia during their library sessions. Some of their responses to a few of the shortlisted titles are written on the next page.
**BANJO AND RUBY RED** by Libby Gleeson and Freya Blackwood

“It was truly fascinating because Banjo and Ruby Red are very different characters. I like the illustrations because they are colourful and interesting.” Claire 2I

“The story was awesome because it is about friendship. The drawings were really bold, I loved them.” Freya 2I

“It was brilliant because it made me feel good.” Josh F. 1O

“I liked it because the dog rescued the hen.” Jiana 1W

**JEREMY** by Chris Faille and Danny Snell

“I like this book because I think Jeremy is so cute. I learnt that kookaburras can be very demanding and cute and noisy.” Valentina 2I

“I thought the book was interesting because there were facts about kookaburras in there. I learnt that kookaburras don’t have feathers when they are born, they grow feathers in 2-4 weeks and don’t open their eyes until the same time.” Krishan 2I

**GRANNY GROMMET AND ME** by Dianne Wolfer and Karen Blair

“I like the book because it has people surfing and I like surfing.” Mali 1M

“I think it’s a lovely book. If someone is scared to swim in the beach they can look at that book.” Lucie 1M

“I think the book should win because it used adjectives.” Emma 1O

“I liked how the boy learned to be a grommet.” Hunter 1O
PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier’s Reading Challenges finishes this Friday, the 22nd August, for 2014. All students wishing to complete the challenge for this year and be eligible for their certificate need to have their reading records finalised by this date.

Please follow the link below if you need to update your student reading record.

https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

The countdown is on to the end of the Premier’s Reading Challenge for 2014. All students need to have their reading records completed by Friday 22nd August to be eligible for their certificate. Those who still need to complete their reading records please do so before the close of the Premier’s Reading Challenge for 2014.

https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

Janine Mazey – Teacher/Librarian
**CUPCAKE DAY FOR THE RSPCA**
The RSPCA is an organisation that cares for stray, abandoned or mistreated animals. They held an occasion this week called Cupcake Day, where people all over Australia bake and sell cupcakes to raise money, as the RSPCA gets less than 3% of its funding from the government. The money can contribute to providing shelters for abandoned animals, vaccinations and fighting animal cruelty.
Imogen, Stella, Electra, Samantha and I baked and sold about 170 cupcakes and raised around $160. We love having that feeling that we helped a worthy cause!!
*By Jemima Rice, 6A*

**YEAR 3 STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND PARENTS ENJOYED THEIR TRIP TO SYDNEY WILDLIFE WORLD**
On Friday year 3 went to Wildlife World in Darling Harbour. At Sydney Wildlife World I saw many different animals, but my favourite was the Tasmanian Devil and Rock Wallabies. I had a wonderful time at Wildlife World. *By Christine Hur 3S*

My favourite part at Wildlife World was the kangaroos. The kangaroos were funny, but we weren't allowed to touch them. After that was the kangaroo talk. The kangaroo keeper told us what kangaroos eat and then showed us a quokka. *By Affan Muhammad 3S.*

My favourite part was the echidna because when he walked his bottom wiggled. We laughed when he did laps around the enclosure. In the enclosure there were logs, dirt, grass and some Rock Wallabies. *By William Pearson 3S*

Group one's favourite part was when we went to the crocodile talk. There was a five metre long crocodile that was really big and fat. When a lady croc comes near him he will attack. *By Maria Ayoub 3S*

My favourite part at Wildlife World was when group one walked through the butterfly enclosure. We saw lots of birds like ducks and finches. Group one even saw a turtle. There were millions of butterflies flying above our heads. *By Rosie Skinner 3S*

**3R VISIT SYDNEY WILDLIFE WORLD**
On Friday August 15th 3R went to Sydney Wildlife World. We thought that Rex the crocodile was very interesting because he was so well camouflaged. At first we couldn't see him then wham he popped out of the water. Rex is a carnivore (meat eater). Rex is only fed twice a week in winter. Crocodiles are a big and vicious animal and that is why we like him. He came to Wildlife World from the Northern Territory because he killed his two girlfriends. We thought the kangaroos were lazy because they were lying in the sun sleeping all day.
One of our favourite exhibits was the butterflies. We liked all the different patterns on them. We also liked the Tasmanian devil. They were hard to spot and had great eyes and faces. We also enjoyed the cassowary because we had never seen one before and it had an amazing blue neck. The rainbow lorikeet was beautiful because of its lovely colours and the way it flew gracefully.

We had a wonderful time at Sydney Wildlife World seeing and touching the incredible creatures there.

Isabella De Lange, Nena Harmstorf, Mia Cumming, Kayla Espinas, Angus McLachlan, Naomi Peace, Darcy Thompson and Chloe Metzker.
SCIENCE IN THE CITY

Students from Year 6 were lucky enough to visit the Australian Museum for Science in the City. They created electrical circuits, made solar energy, participated in experiments and examined the skeletons of different types of creatures. We had an interesting and exciting day!

KH NEWS

KH have been learning about animals that live in the ocean. Last week we learnt about whales...We learnt how baleen whales eat.
We found out how long a blue whale is

(30 metres! Longer than all of us!)

We found out how blue whales can swim in the salty ocean water, even though they are so heavy!

We also learnt that humpback whales are the loudest animals in the world, and they sometimes speak to each other. We wondered what they might be saying to one another…

“Hey you come with me. Do you want to eat some krill?”
Alastair

“Hey whale lets go and eat some krill or we could practise breaching or we could have a swim.”
James

“Hey do you want to get married or be friends?”
Genevieve

“Hey um do you want to find some yummy krill at the top of the ocean or do you want to play?” “I want to get some yummy krill.” “OK let’s go and find some yummy krill.”
Emilie
NETBALL REPORT TERM 3 WEEK 5

We played our second last games this week except for the A’s who, unfortunately, had a bye.

The reports following come from the teams individual players:

Brianah Forder reported for the Cs and the Ds: The C team lost sadly, but there is much to be pleased about. Due to injury players experimented in positions which increased their understanding of the game. Indy DeCaires played her heart out role modelling just how you find ‘space’.

The D team played so well. It was one of those great spirited matches where the players maintained a strong fight and continuously applied skills to keep the pressure up. The D’s did not win this match but they agreed it was a fabulous effort. This team is really gelling. They were held back by too many short passes and a oppositions whose defence was magic and shooting was great. A big congratulations to the entire team, Mrs Cant is very impressed with the skill up-take in this group. But Laura Campbell was outstanding as shooter. She went home with a big smile knowing how well she contributed to the eight goals scored.

The B2 team fought against a higher graded Mosman. Jemima scored a goal and the team worked hard. To improve in the face of higher graded opposition, the players need to move the ball at pace and avoid any hesitations. This places the onus on the players to always be moving into space!

B1 lost but a neck and neck game ending in 17:12. Nikita Pussell is amazing in that each week she steps up her skills noticeably. The many things are going right but the team needs to add one more element – spread out more.

The boy’s team: well it had to happen. They finally met a well matched opponent. The boys lost their first game. We were three players down and borrowed players from the opposition. But this was not related to the loss. The opposition were towering Year 6 boys who had all the skills. Our boys put up a great fight and made great use of speed.

Jane Cant – Class Teacher of 5J

P&C NEWS

Neutral Bay Public School P&C - 2014 Raffle – New Draw Date
We have now extended the draw date to Friday 5 September at 9 am in the front of the School Hall. Please support the School by selling raffle tickets and submit your stubs in for the draw by Wednesday 3 September 2014. Tickets are $3 each or $30 for the book. There are some wonderful prizes to be won. If you have misplaced your raffle booklets, there are some available at the School office. If you decide not to participate, please also return the unsold booklets to the School.

Raffle Committee
APPLE SLINKY MAKER DONATION

We would like to give a special mention for Hugo Ryan of 2K and his brother Henry Ryan of KH and Peter-John and his daughter Matida Voeten of 4C, who donated apple slinky makers. These are currently being used everyday during the Fresh for Kids campaign. You all made the children happy and excited and certainly encouraged them to eat fresh fruit. Thank you so much!

Our warm thank you to our fantastic volunteer team in Week 5! The canteen operation went smoothly as usual because of your time and effort. We would like welcome our new volunteers and we hope that you will have a fun time working with other volunteers and serving the kids.

Next week’s special is Beef Stroganoff with Rice. Please continue to support the Fresh for Kids campaign. Do not forget to keep your stickers because for every 2 stickers collected, you will receive a special ring from the canteen.

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
Our Senior Band put on a splendid display on Sunday performing in the NSW Band Festival at UNSW. Hot on the heels of their Highly Commended performance at the Sydney Eisteddfod earlier in the year, the Senior Band was awarded Gold for their performance on Sunday. This is a fantastic achievement and the Senior Band can be very proud of their efforts so far this year. We look very forward to seeing what the rest of the year brings! A huge thank you to Mr Browne and all the parents that assisted on the day. It was a mammoth effort for all to get to the venue on time, and looking fabulous, on such a wet and wintry Sunday morning.

Band Festival Photos

There is still the opportunity to order official photos for all three band performances. Photo order envelopes have been placed in each of the band folders (next to the bandroom doors in the hall). Please complete one of these and place it, along with the correct money sealed inside, in the collection envelopes provided at the front office. I will be collecting these next Friday, August 22nd, and delivering them to the Advancedlife Photography for printing. The envelopes are specific for each band so please make sure you have the right envelope for your child’s band. The photos are $20 each and are a lovely keepsake for our band members.

For those in Concert and Junior Bands that placed their orders last week, these orders have been placed and the photos will be returned to the school in due course and distributed to your child.

See dates below for Open Band Rehearsals. We have made the time earlier to coincide with drop-off for rehearsal. Come along to a very informal gathering and see what your children achieve together twice a week. This is how it all comes together!

Important Band Dates - Term 3 2014

Monday 15 September 2014 - Junior Band Open Rehearsal 7.45am
Tuesday 16 September 2014 - Senior Band Open Rehearsal 7.45am
Thursday 18 September 2014 - Concert Band Open Rehearsal 7.45am

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

HELLO FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP
We have now received the outstanding orders for size 4 cargo trousers, and out hats so if your back order has yet to be sent please contact us at the uniform shop.
These items have been updated on FlexiSchools.
Please remember that we have now gone PIN ONLY for all card transactions - we are unable to take signatures for card payments.
The Uniform Shop will be providing second hand uniforms to the 2nd Hand Stall at the School Carnival. So if you'd like to make a donation of second hand clothes please drop them off to the shop or office. And of course if you want to grab a few items of second hand uniforms don't forget to drop by the 2nd hand staff at the Carnival.
Thank you from the Uniform Shop
COMMUNITY NEWS

North Sydney Boys High School
Open Morning Tuesday 26th August 2014 9.15 – 12 noon
Enquiries on 9955-4748

Sydney Girls High School
Open Night on Wednesday 3 September 2014 3.30 to 6.30pm.
Telephone enquiries – 9331-2336  Web: www.sghs.nsw.edu.au

North Sydney Girls High School
Open Morning on Wednesday 10 September 2014
9.30am to 11.30am
Telephone enquiries 9922-6666 ext 104

JOIN IN THE FUN WITH NORTH STEYNE NIPPERS

Join us at our two official registration days – September 14th and 21st between 9am to noon at North Steyne Surf Club (we are the middle surf club on the stretch of beach at Manly). If registering for the first time, please bring your child’s birth certificate/passport. For more information please call Jodie Frazer on 0411 261 455 or go to www.northsteyneslsc.com.au

ST JOHN’S CHILD CARE CENTRE – YEO STREET NEUTRAL BAY

St John’s 21st birthday!

Join us at The Neutral Bay Club
3 Weddigh Street, Neutral Bay
13th September 7pm – 10pm (officially...we can groove longer)
$30/p cost includes canapes (sorry, no children!)
It's a “90s party”: enjoy the 90’s tunes and wear your best 90’s gear!

RSVP: director@stjohnccc.org.au
by Friday 29th August (including any dietary requirements)
Play cricket this Summer – with North Sydney Juniors

North Sydney is the club for children at schools in the Northbridge/Cammeray/North Sydney/Neutral Bay areas. To register online, go to www.northsydneycc.com.au, and go through to the juniors section on the left and follow the links.

The club offers a Milo In2cricket skills program for boys & girls 5-8 years, it is located at St Leonards Park each Saturday morning 8.30am to 10am. Enquiries: northsydneyin2cricket@iinet.net.au

Cricket matches are offered for boys & girls 8-15 years at varying locations around the North Shore. Shortened games and modified rules apply in the younger age groups so everyone gets a go.

Milo in2cricket, Average cricket for Under 9’s and competition matches for Under 10-15’s start 11 October 2014. Enquiries: Tony Greenwood 0407 556 824

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