FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Winter Vacation
We wish all our students and families a safe and enjoyable Winter vacation. The holidays commence on Monday 29th June. The students return to school on Monday 13th July. Parents please note there will be no office staff or teachers at school on Friday 26th June as this is a School Development Day and staff will be off site at training courses.

Semester 1 Student Reports
As part of our Reporting to Parents initiatives Semester 1 Student Progress Reports will be sent home on Wednesday (24th June) of this week. Following Department of Education and Communities guidelines, due to a new English Syllabus being introduced, the English section of the Report provides an overall grading. This grade is comprised of your child’s progress in Reading and Viewing, Speaking and Listening and Writing and Representing. Further information is contained in a letter that will be included with your child’s report.

Education Week Open Day
Our Education Week Open Day will be held on Tuesday 28th July. The day’s activities will involve:

- 8.30-9.15a.m. Book donations
- 9.30-10.10a.m. Classroom Visits
- 10.15-11.30a.m. K-6 Assembly showcasing a number of class, choir, band, orchestra, Glee, drama and dance group performances
- 11.30-11.50 a.m. Picnic Recess for Years 4-6
- 11.50-12.40p.m. Picnic Lunch for Years K-2
- 11.30a.m. Book donations Years 4-6
- 11.50a.m. Book donations Years K-3

Voluntary Contributions
Thank you for your support in providing funds as part of our voluntary contributions. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. 51% of our families have donated $85,000 towards our total of $200,000.

Sydney North Dance Festival
Congratulations to the Senior and Boys’ Dance Groups for their excellent performances at the Sydney North Dance Festival. Thank you to Mrs Reid, Miss Jane Carew, Mrs Pope, Miss Keighran, Miss Jen Carew and Miss Robertson for their time and work in preparing the groups.

Environmental Education
At our recent P&C Meeting we discussed a number of Environmental Education initiatives we will be commencing next term at our school. One of these initiatives is Waste Free Wednesday. I encourage you to support this practice. Further information is on page 7 of this Newsletter.
Jump Rope for Heart
Thank you for your support of the Jump Rope for Heart program. Thank you also to Ms Cooper and Mrs Reeve for their organisation of the event. All sponsorship money is collected online. Please log on to http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/sites/jumpropeforheart and follow the directions!

Save the Date
The week beginning the 7th September will be a wonderful week at Neutral Bay involving our Peter Pan Jnr Concert, an art show where each class will be creating a piece of art work and the Gala Neverland Ball. Please save these dates listed below.

Save The Date
7-11 September, 2015
Neutral Bay Public School’s Fundraising Team invites you to sprinkle some pixie dust over Neverland Week

Neverland Week Program of Events
Monday, 7 September Peter Pan Jnr Dress Rehearsal
Official opening student art exhibition
Tuesday, 8 September Peter Pan Jnr Matinee
Peter Pan Jnr Evening Performance
Wednesday, 9 September Peter Pan Jnr Matinee
Peter Pan Jnr Evening Performance
Friday, 11 September School Peter Pan Jnr Mufti Day - Special Assembly
Gala Neverland Ball 7-11pm at Norths 12 Abbott St, Cammeray
Tickets on-sale in July
All enquiries to nbpspadventes@gmail.com

Athletics Carnival
Next term we look forward to Athletic Carnivals for students in Years K-2 and Years 3-6. The carnivals will be held on the following dates:
- Years 3-6 Friday 21st August at Narrabean Sports Academy (Please note new date and venue).
- Years K-2 Thursday 17th September at Forsyth Park
Further information will be sent home next term on both events.

School Development Day
Our third School Development Day (SDD) for this year will be held on Friday 26th June (last day of this term) rather than Monday 13th July. The SDD will be held in conjunction with some of our neighbouring schools who are part of the Harbourside Learning Community (Mosman High, Mosman P.S., Cammeray P.S., Middle Harbour P.S., Beauty Point P.S.). On this day child care will be available at our school from 7.30am to 6.00pm through the Before and After School Care Centre. Parents please note there will be no office staff or teachers at school on Friday 26th June as this is a School Development Day. Staff will be off site attending training courses.
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| Thursday 25th June  | 6C Excursion  
Years 3 and 4 Assembly (Class 3S performing)  
Last day of Term 2 for students |
| Friday 26th June   | School Development Day                                                        |
| Monday 13th July   | Term 3 commences  
Junior Band  
Senior Choir  
Senior Band  
Chess |
| Tuesday 14th July  | Concert Band                                                                  |
| Wednesday 15th July| Senior Chamber  
Senior Girls’ Dance  
Junior Choir  
Orchestra  
Scripture |
| Thursday 16th July | Concert Band  
Senior Boys’ Dance |
| Friday 17th July   | Senior Band  
Year 6 Farewell Meeting  
PSSA  
Competition Chess |
| Monday 20th July   | Junior Band  
Senior Choir  
Senior Band  
Chess |
| Tuesday 21st July  | Concert Band                                                                  |
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| Friday 24th July   | Senior Band  
PSSA  
Competition Chess |

Have a great holiday,
Regards,
David Shuster, Principal
Kindergarten has been learning about ‘Prehistoric Animals’ over the last few weeks. We have all really enjoyed looking at dinosaurs! KSV especially liked our science experiment, where we made a volcano erupt. We used sand to make the volcano and vinegar/baking soda for the lava. It was amazing to watch the lava exploding out of the volcano! We also did an archaeological fossil dig. Do you like our paper bag dinosaurs?

Mrs Stewart & Mrs Vaccarella KSV Class Teachers
Stage 1 News (Years 1 & 2)

2K recently read the book ‘Facing the Tiger,’ which tells the story of young Rani who lives on the edge of the Indian jungle, surrounded by tigers! Rani is told that a tiger might pounce the minute her back is turned. After being lost in the jungle, Rani cleverly puts her mask on the back of her head, so that whichever way she turns she is facing the tiger! 2K decided to follow a procedure to create our very own tiger masks, then wrote an information report on the incredible Bengal Tiger. They did an amazing job!

The Bengal Tiger

Bengal tigers are a mammal in the big cat family. They are known to have cubs and live in India. Bengal tigers are very protective of their cubs.

These creatures can roar so loud that your ear drums will pop! If you try to search for a Bengal tiger by walking, always wear a mask on the back of your head to confuse them.

Bengal tigers have white chests with black and orange stripes on their back. They also have a pink nose. Bengal tiger cubs are cute and fuzzy.

Some Bengal tigers live in caves, but mostly jungles and mountain areas. Bengal tigers are carnivores and they eat ungulates. They carefully stalk their prey from behind.

Interestingly, Bengal tigers can be tamed by humans. Isn’t that amazing?

By Tilly Gilmour.
On Thursday of Week 9, students in Year 4 were involved in a day of performances and activities presented by Living History Australia. The incursion related to our studies on First Contact and enhanced the children's understanding of Australia's history. It was great to see students getting into the spirit of life during early settlement through their creative costume interpretations.

Stage 3 News (Years 5 & 6)

Jump Rope for Heart
On Tuesday 23rd July, the students of Years 5 and 6 had a great deal of fun participating in the 2015 'Jump Rope for Heart' Day. Each class rotated through a circuit of 7 different skipping activity stations and one rest station, where the students learnt how to take their pulse and what the average pulse rate is for children their age when doing exercise. The skipping stations included paired skipping, group skipping using the large ropes, a skipping obstacle course, skipping relays and trick skipping. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon, and gained great pleasure from keeping fit and healthy with their friends.

5T
This term, the students of 5T have been studying Australian History. Two of our art challenges this term have been to design a new Australian flag that represents Australia's past, present and future, and to create an art work in the style of Sidney Nolan, placing Ned Kelly near a famous landmark.
Taj Astill and Eden Borrie have also been busy drawing the backdrop for the Year 3 / 4 Musical 'Peter Pan Jr' on canvas. In this picture they are shown holding the drawing designed by Mrs East, class teacher of 3EC.

Miss Taylor 5T Class Teacher
Waste Free Wednesdays are coming to Neutral Bay Public School

Starting next term, we ask that every Wednesday your child brings their lunch to school in non-disposable containers. Waste Free Wednesdays are an initiative of the Environmental Education Committee of our school. By participating, students will have a better understanding of where their waste ends up, and how they can reduce the amount of waste they generate. Choosing products that have less packaging results in less waste that needs to be disposed of. It not only makes good environmental sense but it makes good economic sense too. Waste free lunches are often cheaper and in most cases a lot healthier too!

Thank you for your support!

SOCCER KNOCKOUT REPORT

Soccer Knockout (Boys’) Report

The boys’ soccer knockout team travelled to Northbridge Oval to play their first match in the soccer knockout competition. We all had high hopes of today’s game. We started off with some brilliant attack and Inigo Castro managed to get the ball in the back of the net. We were very happy with our first goal but needed to pay more attention to the game. Our defence was good but their strikers managed to run down the wing, get a good cross in on us and they managed to score a volley.

We were still in a sour mood but had a game to play. We kicked off. Our defence was good and our centre back, Inigo Castro scored again. We were very happy. Suddenly Northbridge did some amazing skill and scored another goal.

We went into extra time and we all thought we had what it takes to win today’s game. So we all played our hearts out. Our defence was rock solid and our midfield was great. Our defence turned the ball over and got it up the field. Jamie Caddick managed to score in the bottom left hand corner of the goal and managed to make the score 3-2. Our defence was brilliant but we had a lot of pressure on us as their strikers made their move. Suddenly they took a shot and fortunately it smashed the crossbar.

We played hard and did not give up until the siren blew and we were very happy that we won our first game.

I think our man of the match today was Inigo Castro and I think all of us can’t wait until our next game.

Jack Riley 6T

Soccer Knockout (Girls’) Report

On Monday the 22nd of June the Neutral Bay girls played Northbridge in the soccer knockout. All of the girls played very well and we were running around all over the place, but some of the girls in particular stood out. Sophie Bateman, Kirra Webb, Bronte Cram and Ushnami Upadhaya.

Sophie scored both of our goals and had a tough time out on the pitch, but that was enough to get her the player of the match. She ran very fast and made some good tackles and also passed it to Bronte who was up front with her. Sophie took most of the throw-ins and got the ball to Bronte or Angelina Pona.

For our first half I was the goalie and saved most of the balls from going in, but unfortunately one of the Northbridge girls came close to the goal and I wasn’t expecting it to go in the goal but it did. In the second half, Elise Rudan was the goalie and made some amazing saves. I think Elise did extremely well because that was her first time as goalie and she saved us from a large score line against us.
Overall I think we played incredibly well, especially Sophie and Elise. Unfortunately we lost 3-2 and will not be going through to the next round. We do need to work on our passing and running with the ball and maybe some tricks, but we did play well and I’m pretty sure everyone had fun and a good run around.

Written by Poppi Spencer 6T

Debating Report – Round 3

On Tuesday the 23rd of June, the 1st Gear debating team drove to Northbridge Public School for the Premier’s debating Challenge. The topic was ‘That children should do 30 minutes of chores’. The 1st Gear team were on the negative side. One of their arguments was that children have far too many activities in their lives to have time to do chores. They were awarded the debate. You may like to discuss this with your family.

Written by Alex Dent 6S

Yesterday, the 2nd Gear debating team went to Northbridge Public School. In my opinion it was the best debate we have had so far. Our team topic was ‘That parents should give their children pocket money’! We were on the negative side of the debate. One of our arguments was that children would waste money and therefore it was not necessary for children to be given pocket money. What do you think? It was a fun, inclusive and thoroughly enjoyable day.

Olivia Loukas, 6C

Premier’s Reading Challenge

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is open to all students in Kindergarten to Year 9 and aims to develop a love of reading through quality literature.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is currently running and the school holidays might be a great time for students to update their reading records.

Participating students will need to log on to the Premier’s Reading Challenge website and complete their Reading Record by 21st August 2015 to be eligible for their certificate this year.

Further details regarding the challenge can be found at, https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

P & C NEWS

The P&C and the school would like to thank all the parents who have paid their voluntary contribution: we have raised above $85K with more than 50% of the kids having paid. We would love to reach A$100K to meet the growing needs of our school. For those who have forgotten, do not worry we have left the payment option on Flexischool and you can always make a direct transfer to the NBPS P&C Association, BSB 032 197, Account 411802.

We wish you a good break and will stop asking or discussing the VC in Term 3 as we all turn our attention to the fantastic fundraising event prepared by a great team of volunteers put together by Belle Jackson. Can’t wait to see you there!
TRIPLE P SEMINAR – THE POWER OF POSITIVE PARENTING

FREE Seminar fully sponsored by P & C.  
Presented by Vivienne Hughes, Parenting Coordinator and Psychologist, Child and Adolescent Parenting, Northern Sydney Local Health District

The Triple P Seminar Series is part of the well-known evidence based and internationally recognised Triple P Programs from the University of Queensland. The seminars are designed for parents/carers of 3-12 year olds interested in learning about positive ways of promoting their children’s development.

The POWER OF POSITIVE PARENTING Seminar introduces parents to the 5 core principles underlying the Positive Parenting approach:

1. Creating a safe, interesting environment
2. Having a positive learning environment
3. Using assertive discipline
4. Having realistic expectations
5. Taking care of yourself

VENUE: Neutral Bay Public School Hall

DATE: Tuesday 4th August 2015
TIME: 7.00pm – 9.00pm

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. Please contact Sharmila Soorian at nbpsspandcsecretary@gmail.com

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PARENTING

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

A warm thank you to all our volunteer parents, grand parents, other relatives and friends. You have made the children happy by preparing wonderful lunches for them and serving them at the counter. Thank you for your support at the canteen.

We would like to remind everyone about the new arrangements for the start of Term 3. Whereas previously children started back at school on Tuesday, formally the second day of Term, from Term 3 on children will instead start back on day 1, Monday. Flexischools lunch ordering only becomes available on the second day of Term 3 so please remember to provide lunch for your child on the first day.

I have stepped down as Canteen Coordinator and starting Term 3, our new canteen coordinator is our wonderful parent Bridget Douglas. It was a pleasure working with the canteen team and with all the volunteer parents and school staff. Another lovely mother, Patricia Vinokurov, will also be helping our canteen staff in managing the canteen online roster. We look forward to supporting you in your new roles ladies.

Finally, we apologise that canteen stocks are low for the last week of term – obviously we run stocks low to reduce wastage at the end of term, so we can keep prices as low as possible and continue to provide inexpensive but good food for your children.

Have a wonderful holidays and see you all next Term.

Michelle Alejo – Outgoing Canteen Coordinator

Hello from the Uniform Shop team

I hope you all have a lovely relaxing couple of weeks of school holiday.

Any Flexischools orders placed from now until the start of next term will be packed and delivered to your child's classroom during the first week of Term 3.

The Uniform Shop will be open every Tuesday in term-time, from 8.30am-9.30am. In week 3 of Term 3, it will be the Education Week open morning and at this time, I am planning to be open as usual. However I may need to close the shop that morning due to my children's involvement in the performance. I will keep you informed via the newsletter.

Returns policy:

Flexischools purchases: please email me at nbpsuniformshop@gmail.com to let me know and then leave the item at the office with your details (including Flexischools order number) and I will process the exchange/refund ASAP. If a refund is required, the funds will be refunded back to your Flexischools account ASAP.

In store purchases: For exchanges, please email me at nbpsuniformshop@gmail.com to let me know and then leave the item at the office with your details and I will process the exchange ASAP. For refunds, please come to the Uniform Shop on a Tuesday morning with your original form of payment.

All returned items must be in saleable condition with tags still attached. Please note that I am not at the Uniform Shop all of the time and that it may take a few days for me to action exchanges/refunds. Notifying me by email is a good way to give me a heads up!

Second Hand Items:

Donations of good quality, clean items of clothing are always welcome. Please leave donations at the school office or bring to the Uniform Shop during opening hours.

If you would like to purchase a second hand item, please come along during normal opening hours (Tuesday 8.30-9.30am)

Thanks,

Elizabeth & the Uniform Shop team
Community News

Anyone who has lost jewellery recently at Neutral Bay Public School please contact Sergeant Larsson from North Sydney Police Station on 9956 3199.

Before and After School Care

Last Day Term 2, 2015

School Development Day - Friday 26th June

Before and after school care will be open from 7:30am to 6pm to care for your children if you need us.

Wear: Mufti

Bring: Morning tea and lunch

Cost: $50 per child for the day CASH in advance

To book: Please phone us on 9953 9366 or enrol on the form at the BSC/ASC front desk.

Inviting Kindy to Year 2

Free Trial Drama Class in the Multipurpose Room

Friday afternoons 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Kids Up Front offers a fun and creative drama program every Friday afternoon. Children work around a different theme and perform for each other each week. The classes are designed to develop Confidence, Creativity and Communication Skills.

To register for a free trial class please go to www.kidsupfront.com.au or phone 9953 4040 for further details

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Director

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Mosman Netball

Enrolling Now

Introduction to Netball

For 6 / 7 year old girls not yet playing netball

1 hour ball skills & drills
10 weeks (Saturdays 9:30-10:30am)
mini games and sausage sizzle for final session

Participants eligible to play in MNC Summer Comp in term 4
Rego closes Tuesday 13th July 2015

Commemorates first Saturday of term 3
Marie Bashier Indoor Centre, Cross st Mosman
Further information & registration online
See mosmannetball.com.au

Play the game
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.