

Newry News

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TERM 1 WEEKS 5-6

3rd March 2021

Term 1	
Week 6	
Monday 1 st March	Swimming Years 3-4
Monday 1 st March	Olympic Leaders Program Years 5 and 6—Tallebudgera
Sunday 7th March	P and C BBQ 2pm
Week 7	
Monday 8th March	Swimming Years 3-6
Tuesday 9th March	Byron Bay High School visits at Newrybar PS for Year 6 students
Wednesday 10th March	Lighthouse Valley Learning Community and Valley of Small Schools meetings . J Albans
Thursday and Friday 11/12	Primary Principals Association State Council J Albans attending via zoom
Week 8	
15th March	Swimming Years 3-6
Tuesday 16th March	Byron Bay High School Information Night for parents
Wednesday 17th March	Year 7 taster lessons for Year 6 students 9am—1:40pm Tweed Ballina Primary Principals Council meeting. J Albans
Week 9	
Parent Teacher Meetings Monday—Thursday	
22nd March	Swimming Years 3-6
Monday 22nd March	P and C meeting—all parents welcome 5:30pm
Friday 26th March	Small Schools Cross Country for all students -Depending on COVID regulations
Week 10	
29th March	Swimming Years 3-6
Thursday 1st April	Easter Hat Parade and presentation-Depending on COVID regulations at the time- Last Day of Term 1
Week 1 Term 2	Students return Tuesday 20th April

COVID-19 Restrictions for parents still apply at school

In accordance with NSW Health, Parents and carers are **NOT ALLOWED ON SCHOOL SITES** or at off-site events held **DURING SCHOOL HOURS** except for the following purposes.

- Essential parent and carer meetings with teachers and/or school executives, **with a scheduled appointment. If you are coming for a prearranged meeting please bring your mobile phone so you can scan our QR CODE.**
- Parents and carers **who have been contacted by the school** for the purpose of picking up their child if they are unwell. Parents and carers will be asked to arrange a COVID-19 test for their child if they have displayed flu-like symptoms while at school.

Thank you for your understanding. It is important that we abide by NSW Health guidelines.

Sight Words

The Year 1-2 children have a bundle or sheet of sight words to practice at home. Being fluent when reading common words assists reading and comprehension. Please go through the words with your child for 2-5 minutes a day. These words should be known when looked at and not needing to be sounded out or thought about for a long time. If your child doesn't know a word, tell them the word and come back to it. You may have a whole pack, however, your child may only be working on learning a small number at any one time. The students watch the 'I know these pile' grow as they learn them. Any questions about what your child is learning or how you can support their learning can be answered by the teachers.

Home readers K-2

It is important that parents help your child to make sure that the home reader folder is in your child's bag and returned to school every day. This is the book we use for reading groups in class and most of the time we do not have additional copies. Even if you haven't read the book we still need it to be returned every day. Your child won't always have a new book everyday. Reading a familiar book is part of the reading process. After reading enjoy a discussion time with your child about the characters, how they are the same or different to your family, the plot and if something similar has ever happened to you, your favourite part of the book and why. As the children learn to read the books have more depth and the discussions will change as your child grows and develops greater vocabulary and understanding of the world around them.



Parent Teacher meetings in Week 9

Thank you to the parents who have requested a parent/teacher meeting. You will have received a confirmation of the times via email or note. If you have not received a confirmation please contact the office.

Research

From the Nutrition & Physical Activity in Primary Schools we have attached some interesting research on 'The impact of digital technology on students learning and wellbeing' for your perusal. Please see the attached information.

Who's who at Newrybar

Now that we have settled into our routine the following table may be helpful to parents.

K-2 (junior)	English	Ms Albans Mrs Cartwright
3-6 Senior)	English	Mrs Ruskin
K-2 (junior)	Maths	Mrs Ruskin
3-6 Senior)	Maths	Mrs Cartwright Mrs Leeson
K-6	Visual Art	Mrs Ruskin
K-6	Music/Drama	Mrs Cartwright
K-6	PD/Health/PE	Mrs Leeson
K-6	Sport	Mrs Cartwright Mrs Ruskin
K-2 (junior)	Inquiry– Geography/ History/Science	Mrs Cartwright Ms Albans
3-6 Senior)	Inquiry– Geography/ History/Science	Mrs Ruskin

BBHS Taster Lessons

Byron Bay High School Open Day for Year 6 students to experience **Taster Lessons is on Wednesday 17th March. The day will run from 9.00am to 2.00pm.** Students are asked to wear their Primary School uniform and bring either their own lunch or money for the canteen, we will also be providing a BBQ lunch (reminder we are a waste free school so please minimise plastics). On the day students will attend four sessions each providing them an insight into life at high school.

This day is part of our Transition Program into high school for year 6 students and we look forward to meeting them.



VOSS Swimming Championships

Here is the list of schools in order from first to seventh - Congratulation Coorabell - VoSS champions!

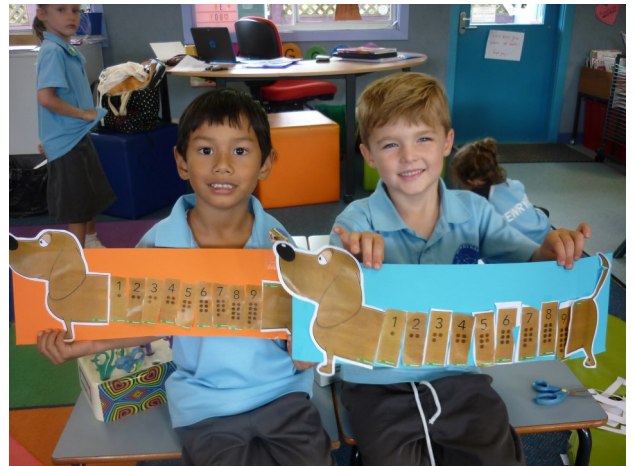
School	Enrolment	Points	Maths	Position
Coorabell	113	125	$125 / 113 = 1.11$	1
Goonengerry	50	54	$54 / 50 = 1.08$	2
The Pocket	95	96	$96 / 95 = 1.01$	3
Wilsons	23	22	$22 / 23 = 0.96$	4
Durrumbul	12	8	$8 / 12 = 0.67$	5
Newrybar	38	23	$23 / 38 = 0.61$	6
Main Arm	92	36	0.39	7

School Leaders



Junior Maths

The Kindergarten students are learning their numbers to 30 through a range of games and craft activities. We are also learning to tell the time and read calendars.



We have also had fun outdoors playing
'What's the Time Mr Wolf?'



NAPLAN Years 3 & 5

Please see the attached information on
NAPLAN sitting dates for Years 3 & 5.

Visual Arts

During our Visual Arts lessons we have been investigating warm and cool colours. We have used these colours to create our own celestial pictures showing the colours as opposites on our drawings of the sun and the moon.



Junior Sport

We have been practising our ball skills. In teams we have been catching and throwing, this helps to develop good visual attention skills and hand-eye coordination skills.



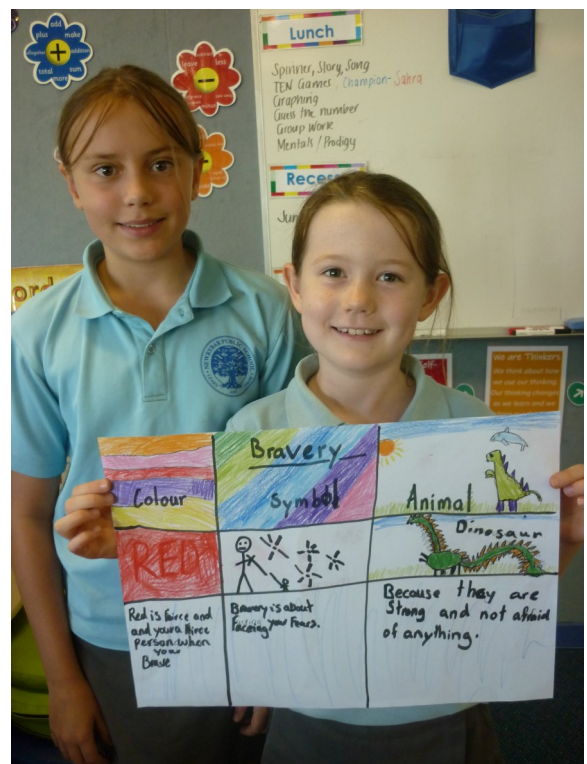
Senior English

The main character in our novel is made to write poetry that rhymes. This week we had fun writing and sharing our own limericks. We also used the CSA thinking routines to think about and make connections to characters and their traits.



*There once was a girl named Grace
She loved to run in a race
She once broke her leg
She then used a peg
When she runs she now falls on her face
By Grace*

*There once was a goat that loved hay
But his owner was docking his pay
So he went to the zoo
And unleashed a moo
And it bit the poor owner that day
By Clemence*



Senior Science

We have continued to investigate the sun, Earth and the moon. We presented our findings to the junior class through the form of drama. We also created slideshows, fact books and made iMovies.



We have been using thermometers to measure the temperature in different areas of the school. Our fair test showed us the difference between the heat in the sun and the heat when in the shade.



Senior Sport

The senior students are continuing to develop their swimming each Monday. This week we worked on our strokes, our breathing and floating on our backs.



VoSS Snow Excursion 2021

Just a reminder of the payment schedule for the Year 5/6 snow excursion to Jindabyne / Perisher from Sunday 8 August to Friday 13 August 2021. The excursion has been offered to Year 5/6 students from Durrumbul, The Pocket, Newrybar, Goonengerry, Wilsons Creek, Coorabell & Main Arm Schools. The payment schedule was sent out last year and is below.

Payment Schedule

2020	Term 4 4 December	\$200 deposit
2021	Term 1 Friday 5 February	\$250
2021	Term 1 Friday 5 March	\$250
2021	Term 2 Friday 7 May	\$250
2021	Term 2 Friday 4 June	\$250 or
	balance depending on final cost	



Voluntary Contributions

Thanks you to those parents/carers who have paid the voluntary contribution for their children's book packs.

Voluntary Contributions for 2021 remain at \$50 per student. These, commonly known as fees, are voluntary. The funds are used to pay for art and craft supplies and materials so that we are able to offer a range of activities throughout the year. No child is disadvantaged if parents choose to not make this contribution. Voluntary Contributions can be paid in full or in instalments. A reminder invoice will be sent home at the beginning of each term.

Book Packs

Book Packs are different to Voluntary Contributions. Book Packs pay for all the stationery, books and consumables your child uses throughout the year. Any parents who wish to provide these items yourselves please contact the school so the list with book sizes can be sent home. Book packs supply and replenish the supplies your children use eg glue, white board markers, books, reading folders and pencils each term. Each child has their own materials kept in their pencil case. The book pack price is \$50 per student plus **\$10 for kindergarten and new students in K-2 to purchase headphones** and **\$25 for students in Years 3-6 for USB connected headphones with a microphone**. Headphones can be sent from home.



Year 5 & 6 Olympic Leaders Program at Tallebudgera

Year 5 and 6 enjoyed a team-building day at Tallebudgera with students from our small school community. Outdoor activities encouraged students to get to know each other and work towards a common goal. Students represented different countries and accumulated points in the race for gold, silver and bronze. A great day was had by all.



P & C News

The P&C welcome BBQ for all parents and students of Newrybar Public School is on this Sunday 7 March. Details are below but as our school community is very small (and very special!) we are hoping you can all make the effort to join even if only for a short time. It will be a great opportunity to meet the community and learn more about what we are doing with the P&C and for our kids this year.

- Date: Sunday 7 March
- Time: 2pm onwards
- Location: Bangalow Park near the Tearooms (on Deacon Street)
- P&C will provide a sausage sizzle including vegetarian options
- Please bring: a plate of food to share; a blanket to sit on; eating utensils; drinks; hats etc
- Please be COVID safe - please note that you should not attend if you are feeling unwell, or suffering any other COVID symptoms, or suspect you may have been in contact with anyone with COVID, or if you have recently been to a COVID hotspot as declared by the NSW Government

We look forward to seeing you there and welcoming the new families.

The NPS P&C



Community News

From Ballina Shire Council

Re: School Zone Parking Enforcement Program No Apologies, No Excuses

It is that time of year again where Council would like to remind all schools, including teachers, parents/carers and children of the parking restrictions in place around your school. The Council's School Zone Parking Enforcement Program commenced on 29 January 2021 for this school year.

This program is in response to a NSW Government directive following a number of accidents and severe injuries, even death, involving children that have occurred in school zones.

Council Rangers monitor school zones and may be present in Council marked or unmarked vehicles. They will be observing vehicle movements and taking photographic evidence of illegal parking in prohibited and restricted zones.

The attached brochure is part of an education process for parents/carers of school-age children.

Stewart House Donation Drive



Envelopes were sent home earlier in the week for the Stewart House Annual Donation Drive. You could win a \$4000 gift voucher! All you have to do is fill your name & contact phone number, add at least \$2 donation and return the school envelope to the office. The school will organize to send the total donation amount to Stewart House before the cut off date of Friday May 28th.