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NEWSFLASH

Week 7 Term 2 10 June 2014

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UNIFORM SHOP OPENING
HOURS
MONDAY 9.00am – 9.45am
THURSDAY 3.00pm – 3.45pm
FRIDAY 9.00am – 9.45am
CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY
NO CREDIT CARD FACILITIES AVAILABLE

PARENT - TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Parent Teacher interviews are being held in week 9 of this term. You will be able to book an interview with your child's class teacher through our online booking system School Interviews Online http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/ A note will go home today explaining how to make this booking and the link to the booking site will be on our school website on the homepage under the News section. The event code you need is D9BQB.

Please note
* Mrs Stafford's will be holding her interviews in week 2 of Term 3 as she will be on leave for the remainder of this term. The event code for this class will be different. Our apologies if you have been trying to book online for Mrs Stafford's interviews. Bookings are now open.

The online bookings will CLOSE on Friday 20th June at 8.30am.

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P&C Meeting 7pm Connected Classroom
Friday 20 June
Round 6 PSSA Zone Competition at Stevenson Park
Friday 27 June
Last Day of Term 2
Round 7 PSSA Zone Competition at NLSPS
School Disco – School Hall
Monday 14 July
Staff Development Day Term 3
Tuesday 15 July
First day of Term 3 – K-6
Tuesday 29 July
ICAS English Competition
Tuesday 12 August
ICAS Mathematics Competition
Wed 27 – Friday 29 August
Year 4 – Great Aussie Bush Camp
Thursday 28 August
Year 3 – Great Aussie Bush Camp

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
We welcomed Stage 3 back to school last week after a very exciting visit to the National Capital. This excursion is always valued by students and staff although it is extremely busy with so much to cram into the available time. Thank you to Mrs Gunness for her organisation of the excursion and to all teachers and parents who supported the children.

School App
Fridays rain wiped out school and PSSA sport and parents who have the school app on their phone were kept updated with cancellations. We are increasingly using the app to push notifications to parents when events are on at school. The app is a really good way to quickly let parents know what’s going on. If you have not downloaded it yet please do so. It is free on either your Apple or other device.

Westpac Rescue Helicopter Landing for NLSPS
A few months ago the rescue helicopter service launched an education program and our school eagerly opted to trial the materials. Miss Clarke’s class enjoyed the materials and Miss Clarke (and other teachers who used them) gave feedback to the service about the usefulness of these materials in the classroom. All of these schools from where teachers gave the feedback were entered in a draw and our school won the prize…. A helicopter landing! I am not sure exactly what this entails but it will be on Tuesday 17th June weather and emergencies permitting at Alder Park at 12:30 pm. All of our students are invited and parents too are welcome.
Of course the service will use this opportunity to extend its education program. There may be television coverage. Included in this Newsflash is a fact sheet about “Air Rescue” the television series and an overview of the rationale behind the landing. This week we are sending home two separate permission notes for this event. 1. Permission notes to gain your permission to go to the park for the landing. And 2. Permission on behalf of the helicopter service promotion company to televise the children and this takes the form of a Filming Agreement and Deed of Release. Any child without permission to photograph or televise will be still able to go to the event but we will keep them separate from the rest so that they are not in any photos or television filming. So it will be important to get your responses back to school quickly so risk management can be accurate. This is very exciting. Thanks to Miss Clarke for her interest and action.

Lost Property
Once again we have a huge number of clothing items left around the school playground as during the day the children strip off to play a game and forget to take the clothes with them after the game. So many of the uniform items have no name or just initials which make it impossible to locate the owner. Our senior students do try to return clothes but if we cannot find an owner they are washed and donated to the uniform shop for second hand sale. Please check the lost property baskets outside the senior weathershed. You will also find many lunch boxes and drink bottles there. If these are not claimed by end of term they will be put in the garbage. Please help by marking all of your child’s clothes and belongings.
Interviews.
I can see many parents have used the online booking service to book suitable times for teacher interviews. I hope this system has worked for you and made life easier. This is the first year the teachers have set up their own interview time using the system and there have been some teething problems with them getting used to the management of the system. If you are having any trouble please give Mrs Holland a ring or leave a message for your child’s teacher regarding your issue and someone will get back to you. At the end of the day we want efficient systems to make life easier for busy staff and parents.

Star Struck News
Our time to shine has finally arrived! On Wednesday and Thursday this week students will be involved in final rehearsals and preparations for Friday and Saturdays shows. Good luck to everyone participating, I am sure you will all be brilliant and have a great time.

Parents please make sure you have read the updated timetable of drop off and pick up times. The note was sent home on Thursday or Friday last week. It is of the utmost importance that students arrive and are collected on time.

A reminder that money for costume fees is now due.

Students need to wear their school uniform for both Wednesday and Thursday’s rehearsals.

Please make sure anything that your child brings to Star Struck is clearly labelled.

If you have any questions about Star Struck please contact Mrs Horner.
Thank you for your support of Star Struck 2014.

PUBLIC SPEAKING REMINDER
Class Public Speaking finals are being held next week so please make sure you come to school with your speech ready to present it to your class. Stage finals will be held soon after to decide who will represent our school at the zone competition. Good luck!

STAGE 2 CAMP INFORMATION
Year 4 will be attending the Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens from 27th to 29th August. Parents were informed of costs and payment options at the beginning of the year. Parents are able to pay off the excursion weekly and are now able to sell chocolates to also help pay the excursion off. Some hard working families have managed to pay for the whole excursion doing this in the past! An adult must contact the office to receive the chocolate boxes to sell, they won’t be given to students.
Year 3 are attending camp for one day on Thursday 28th August at “Outdoor Education” at Morisset. The camp offers exciting activities and the $60 cost includes transport and lunch.
Further details about both camps will follow shortly.
KD NEWS
Welcome to Week 7! This week we are learning the sounds 'th' and 'qu' and reading the bigbook 'Yes Ma’am'. In maths we are finishing the unit on volume and capacity and doing some revision. Yesterday the students attended a puppet show put on by Camp Quality. Through the use of puppets, the students were told about cancer and why people with cancer may look different (hair fallen out). They also explained that you can't catch cancer from other people and that just because people may look different on the outside they're the same on the inside. The students loved the puppet show. Finally, please remember to return the note and money for the Opera performance. Have a great week!

KF NEWS
Welcome to Week 7! KF have had a fantastic start to our short week at school. Yesterday we wrote about what we got up to over the long weekend. It was great to hear that there was plenty of relaxing after a few busy weeks at school. KF were also lucky enough to enjoy a puppet show by some excellent camp quality performers. They helped us all to better understand what cancer is and what it would be like to live with the disease. In class this week we are learning the sounds ‘qu’ and ‘th’, working on our addition skills and taking our eye to the sky, learning more about clouds and wind. Thankyou to all the parents who have put their hands up to help with literacy groups on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We are excited to see you this week and next. Have a lovely week.

KP NEWS
KP thoroughly enjoyed the Camp Quality puppet show today and learnt that it's not cool to be cruel and also that it doesn't matter what people look like on the outside, it's what's inside that counts.
This week we are learning the sounds th and qu and are continuing to make fantastic progress in our reading and writing groups.
A note was sent home last week regarding public speaking. All students in kindergarten are expected to prepare and present a 1-2 minute speech to their class and teacher during week 8 (next week). Students in KP will present their speech on their regular news day. 2 students from each class will be chosen to compete against the other classes in their stage for a spot in the school public speaking team. Please help your child prepare their speech for next week.

KS NEWS
On Tuesday, KS really enjoyed the puppet show from camp quality. We learnt about the illness cancer and the importance of being kind to others.
For the last three weeks of term I will have the delight of teaching KS. If you have any concerns or would just like to say hi please come and see me.
Mrs Hinder

CAMP QUALITY PUPPET SHOW
Camp Quality visited us with their puppet show to help explain how it feels for a child when they return to school after having treatment for cancer. The puppets were a child friendly way to have cancer treatment explained to our students in a humorous and fun way.
1F NEWS
1F has been working hard with our Term 2 HSIE unit, Getting along. Last week students selected a new class seat. Well done to students who have shown respect and responsibility with these new social group seating arrangements. We have been enjoying reading and acting out Little Red Riding Hood and working out lots of number patterns with our hundred charts. Please return excursion notes for our Blackbutt excursion on Tuesday 17th June, if you haven’t already done so. Mrs Symons will be teaching 1F for the rest of term, whilst Mrs Neinert is on leave.

1W NEWS
Last week we were very interested in hearing the visitors from the Newcastle City Council talk to us about water safety. They told us lots of ways to keep safe at the beach and around swimming pools.

Children should always be with an adult around water and if you get in trouble, you should stay calm and float on your back till help arrives.

This week we are learning about the “long i” sound made with a bossy “e” and how verbs change according to who is doing the action.

Please note that our library day is now MONDAY instead of Wednesday, so please check that your child has any books to be returned and a library bag on Mondays in future.

1/2H NEWS
It was a great week in class.

We worked on handwriting with Mr Martin

Activities using the letter R included

- Playground writing
- Smart board practice
- Letter R artwork
- Word challenges
2D & 2O NEWS
We have been having fun learning how to become a good friend from the Fun Friend’s program. All of year 2 are having social games and activity sessions to also help with learning these very important skills. Our Stage Blackbutt excursion is next Tuesday June 17. Please ensure that your child has their note and money in this week.

Also it is important that you check your child’s hair for head lice. I have sent notes home this term and asked students to discuss this with you. Please be diligent with checking your child’s hair and follow up treatments.

2/3M NEWS
We’ve had a fantastic week in 2/3M getting to know each other. We decided that we will now be known as 2/3 Magnificent and are certainly living up to our new name!
As we move into cold and flu season our tissue & wipe supplies have started to run low. We would love any donations of tissues or baby wipes to help keep our room hygienic!
We studied ‘Tucker’s Mob’ as our focus text and discovered some great new vocabulary to use in our writing such as prospecting, glutton and curious. As part of our “Lost Thing” theme we wrote advertisements for objects. Our ads were short and catchy. Wil’s advertisement was our favourite. Have you seen his pet rock?
I lost my pet rock. His name is rocky pebble. He is grey and spotted. He usually has a happy face. If you find it call Wil.
Have a good week!

3/4D NEWS
3/4D were very excited to see the Camp Quality Puppet Show today. It was lots of fun. On Thursday, we will be meeting Miss Zoe Baeten. Miss Baeten is a 4th year student, studying to become a teacher. She will be with us for 10 weeks while she completes her Internship. We can’t wait to see what surprises she has in store for us. We have been showing off our technology skills by making cool talking avatars called Vokis. You can see some of our first attempts on our webpage. www.nlps34d.weebly.com or you can go to the school website, Year 3, 3/4D and follow the link.

4/5M NEWS
Most Year 5 students travelled to Canberra last week and had a fantastic time learning about government and Canberra. They were very well behaved and it was a pleasure to go away with them. We are all a little tired still but the excursion is extremely worthwhile. A special thank you goes to Mr Fraser - Jack’s dad - who helped out the students from our class and the rest of Stage 3. Thanks also to the other parent helpers who supported both the students and staff! A big ‘Well Done” to Year 4 who were very grown up and got to spend time with the other Stage 2 students in their classes. Thank you for being so responsible, the other teachers were very impressed with you also. Book club orders, Barber of Seville Opera notes and money and Footy Meal Deal orders are due this week. HOMEWORK is also due this week. And don’t forget to book an interview with Mrs Mac online or via the school office.

5/6C NEWS
This is Chunky the monkey. He is now part of everyday life in 5/6C. Chunky is a part of the treatment being made available to our friend and classmate Sophie Turton who is currently undergoing treatment for leukaemia. Chunky sits in Sophie’s chair and is an initiative of Ronald McDonald house. Chunky is part of the “monkey in my chair” program and reminds us daily of Sophie and her family.
5/6C enjoyed our time in Canberra last week. Here we are on the lawn at Government House. Governor General Peter Cosgrove was in Adelaide but we had a great time at his place!!

5/6E NEWS
Hope you all enjoyed the long weekend! 5/6E had a fantastic time in Canberra. Now that we’re back we’ll be focusing on finishing our class novel in English and soon I’m hoping to give students some samples of sauerkraut and bratwurst sausages for a taste in German culture. In Maths we are continuing with fractions, decimals and percentages. Have a great week.
5/6S NEWS
10th June 2014

Dear Stage 3 Teachers, Parent Helpers and Mrs Edwards

5/6S would like to take this opportunity to publically thank you for taking us to Canberra last week.

Firstly we would like to thank Mrs Gunness for all the hard work and preparation that she had to do in organising our trip. We know this started in March 2013 and finished on Wednesday the 4th June 2014 when we had been safely returned to our parents. We really appreciate the opportunity to have been able to visit all of the amazing places we went to and even though we might not have realised the significance of some of these places we are sure they will stick in our memories forever.

We would also like to thank the parents who accompanied us and helped the teachers keep us safe and organised. We know that they had to take time off from their own jobs, leave their own families and also paid for the trip. We are very grateful.

5/6S also thanks Mrs Edwards who dedicated her valuable time to come with us and was a great help to us all whenever we needed her assistance.

Finally we would like to say a very big thank you to all the Stage 3 teachers for sacrificing their free time to make sure we had a wonderful experience that will stay glued in our memories. We hope that we did not cause you any problems and if we did we apologise. Thanks also to Mrs Maurer who stayed with those Stage 3 students who were unable to come with us.

A final thanks to everyone without you all this amazing trip and experience would not have been possible.

Yours sincerely
5/6S Students
5/6G NEWS
Last week 5/6G and the rest of Stage 3 went to Canberra. We learnt all about how the government works. We also went to Questacon and it was really fun. Most of us tried to overcome our fears on the 6 metre high slide. Along with that we went to a lot of other places like the war memorial and the museum. It was all very exciting and we had a great time!
By Charlie Toyne and Kyah Burrell

SPORTING NEWS
On Tuesday the 27th of May, I travelled to Camden in Sydney to compete in the NSW PSSA State Football (soccer) tournament as a member of the Hunter Region team.

The tournament was divided into two pools of seven teams each. We were placed in Pool A.

We played 3 games on day one, a 7-1 win over Riverina, where I scored a goal. We then beat North West 6-0 where I opened the scoring, but sadly had a loss to Catholic schools team Polding 3-0.

On day two we drew 1-1 with defending champions Sydney North, and then went on to be the only team of the tournament to defeat eventual winners Combined Independent schools 2-1. However we had a scoreless draw with MacKillop, the southern NSW Catholic schools team, to end up third in our pool and narrowly denied a semi final playoff.

Day three saw us victorious over Sydney East 2-1 to finish in 5th position (out of 14) overall. This was the best result by the Hunter region team in 8 years. 2014 commemorates the 125 year anniversary of NSW school sports. In celebration the 3rd and 4th play off game was played as a retro 'old school' game. Original football rules were played, a lace up leather ball was used and commemorative jerseys were worn by both teams. It was a great spectacle.

It was an amazing experience and I had a fantastic time away with the team. It was a great honour to represent New Lambton South PS and the Hunter Region. I would like to thank the school P&C for their support.

Nicholas Martinelli 5/6G

COMPUTER ROOM NEWS
Stage 1 have begun finding information on the animal they would like to research. Year 2 will be learning to present their work using PowerPoint.
Stage 2 are really getting great at managing their computer files and understanding web addresses. This week we will be looking at the features of web sites.
**P & C NEWS**

Our next P&C meeting will be held next Wednesday 18th June, commencing at 7pm. If there are any items you would like added to the agenda, please let me know. The agenda for the meeting will be finalised and published in the newsflash next week. We hope to see you there.

Did you know that our P&C has a Facebook Page? It is a great way to keep in touch with what’s going on and an even better way for you to let us know your ideas! Find us and like us at: https://www.facebook.com/pages/New-Lambton-South-Public-School-PC/359665944146266

**FUNDRAISING**

Just a reminder that our school has been accepted as a partner school for the upcoming Lego Brickfest – being held at Newcastle PCYC on 5th July. Tickets are just $10 per family & will be available for purchase through our P&C.

Have a great week!

Dates to remember:

**2014/2015 Entertainment Books**
ON SALE NOW


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**P&C Meeting**

Wednesday 18th June
Connected Classroom, BLOCK A
7.00pm

**Newcastle Brickfest**

Saturday 5th July
Newcastle PCYC, Broadmeadow
TICKETS just $10 per family (& will be available for purchase through our P&C)

Natasha Andrei
P&C President
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**CANTEEN NEWS**

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All students should have received a Meal Deal order form for Wednesday 18th June. Meal order forms must be handed in by **FRIDAY 13TH JUNE**. Orders will not be accepted after this date.

We now have canteen approved Garlic Bread available daily (lunch orders only) for $1.20.

Fruit available this week include red and green apples, oranges, watermelon, grape cups and mandarins.

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**FACT SHEET**

**Date:** Tuesday 17th June  
**Time:** 12.30pm  
**Location:** Alders Park, Moonbi St

**Overview**

For the past 40 years Westpac has been a partner with the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service. As part of the partnership, Westpac produce a prime time television series called Air Rescue.

In April 2014, we had the inaugural launch of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Schools Program which was created to educate and engage students through DVD content and lesson plans which were implemented in class.

By taking part in the Rescue Helicopter Schools Program, New Lambton South Public School has won the opportunity for the Newcastle base (featured in Air Rescue) to land at your school. Due to the connection between Air Rescue and the Schools Program, we aim to combine the two and film the landing for it to potentially air in a future series.

**About Air Rescue**

Air Rescue is an action packed six-part TV series following the work of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service.

See the action as it happens through the eyes of a core cast of rescuers from the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service as they enter the lives of ordinary Australians in need: fishermen in trouble on the rocks, injured farmers, flood victims, motorbike riders and holidaymakers in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Season one launched November 4, 2013 on CH7 Monday nights at 8pm.
ORIGINAL TAP DOG

Ben Read’s School of Tap

As seen on ‘So You Think You Can Dance’

Learn tap from an original

TAP DOG and have fun!!

WEDNESDAYS in school hall

Only $10 for 1 hour class

*Tap shoes not initially required

* Students can be taken to OOSH after class

Ben: 0438 699 095

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Newcastle Permanent

Junior Ranger Fun Day

To coincide with NAIDOC week, children will learn about Australia's Indigenous culture through craft, games and interactive activities.

*When*: 11am - 1pm, Tuesday 8 July 2014

*Where*: Richley Reserve top flat (entry off Freyberg St)

Free Sausage sandwich for children only, $1 each for adults. Drinks available for purchase. No bookings required.

Compulsory parental supervision at all times. Children must wear fully enclosed shoes.

Blackbutt Reserve Office: 4904 3344

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