

Term 4, Week 7 20 November 2012

Nowra East Public School Newsletter

Strive for Better Things

At Nowra East Public School we aim to achieve happiness through <u>respecting</u> each other, taking responsibility for our actions, safe practices and a love for learning.

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PBS Skills Focus

This week's PBS skill focus is on "Canteen Procedures".

Make sure that you:

- Line up behind the line.
- Be polite to the canteen helpers
- Use manners "Please and Thank You".
- Sit and eat at the tables.
- All food must be eaten at canteen tables.
- No food is to be taken to the playground.

Aboriginal Education Achievement Awards

Congratulations to Andrew McLeod, Liam Ingrey, Bronson Martin and the Koori Boys Dance Team who received their awards at Batemans Bay yesterday. I was proud to be a part of the group of parents and supporters who were on hand to congratulate our winners.

Messages to Students

Unfortunately, we are getting an increasing number of requests through the front office to get a message to students for sometimes, trivial matters. We are more than happy to help out when an unexpected change of routine comes up, or if there is a matter of urgency that students need to be informed of. Please assist us by ensuring that any change of routine is discussed and understood by children before they leave for school. If this happens, a note to the class teacher will ensure that students are helped to cope with the change.

Early Arrival

It has been brought to my attention that quite a number of students are arriving at school well before 8.45am. I must remind parents that there is no direct supervision provided for students before the morning bell goes at 8.45am. In the interest of student safety I must advise parents to do their best to ensure their children don't arrive before this time. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Parents at School

At Nowra East we welcome the attendance of parents and carers as much as possible. It is one of my aims to ensure that the whole school community can combine to celebrate the achievements of the students in our school. One of the core values at NEPS is that of "Responsibility". We encourage and explicitly teach children how to be responsible for their own actions and belongings. It is important that children become independent as soon as possible. By this time of the year all children are very familiar with the routines of school. Even Kindergarten students know their way around 'big school'. Could I ask parents to assist us to build children's independence and responsibility by bringing them into school and then leaving straight away. Parents who come into the school and want to stay with their children are hindering their child's independent development.

Koori Boys Dance Group

Our dance team brought more kudos to Nowra East PS after their great performance at the Wesley Centre on Saturday morning. The boys performed as an opener to the celebrations held in the Nowra CBD to welcome Santa for 2012.

Peter Collins Principal



CHANGE OF DAY

As of next week the school newsletter will be going home to families on Monday.

SCHOOL NEWS

WEEK 7 - SWIMMING SCHEME continues

Wednesday 21 November

School Counsellor

Stage Assembly

Thursday 22 November

School Counsellor

Kidzwish

Friday 23 November

School Counsellor

Preschool Orientation

WEEKLY ASSEMBLY AWARDS NEPPIE AWARDS

KN - Tyrell, Michael 1B - Blake, DJ

1/2C - Dylan, Emily
2B - Caidance, Josh
3/4E - Jake, Rhiannon
3/4M - Tiana, Tahlia
3/4W - Savannah, Dean
4/55 - Teasha, Deklan
5/6K - Luke, Cody
5/6W - Tobee, Kaleena
ST - Matthew, Brooke

SH - Joshua, Ben, Bobby AEO - Bianca

Attendance

Good attendance at school is the best way to ensure great achievement in the classroom. This term the PBS reward disco will also focus on good attendance as well as good behaviour.

Here is another tip on how to make sure your children maintain good attendance



Hints and Tips No. 7: Getting to school on time



It is essential to establish a regular routine each morning and arriving at school on time is an important part of your child's morning routine.

It is important to be at school on time because:

- . It sets up good habits for the future.
- It provides social benefits good play time and discussion among friends.
- The school day usually begins with the teacher giving out information to students. Eg. Any changes to school routines, coming events etc.
- It is an opportunity for important teacher pupil interaction before school.
- There is plenty of time for ordering lunches if needed.



Missing school leavas gaps in your education

P&C NEWS

General

The P&C is open to everyone: parents, carers, grandparents, teachers, students and members of the community. By working together, people who care and are willingly to give just a little of their time can make a difference. Crucially, P&C Associations are a window on a child's education. Participation in the education process is one of the best expressions of support you can give your child. It has the greatest impact on a child's engagement with schooling and educational success. P&C Associations are often at the forefront of bringing improvements to their school community however they are not required to raise funds. For many, especially for the P&C here at NEPS, fundraising continues to be an important part of our activities.

School Banking

School Banking day is every **Thursday**. Books are to be handed in to the Uniform Shop via the window before 9:30am. If your child does not have a Youthsaver account and would like to participate in School Banking, please visit the school admin office or drop by the Uniform Shop on Monday or Thursday morning to pick up a school banking pack which includes an application for to get you started.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 8:45am to 9:30am. We offer layby with a 10% deposit required and must be collected within 3 months. Eftpos is also available with a \$1.00 charge for each transaction. We have a lot of lost property, please stop by if your child is missing a jacket or hat as it could be amongst the clothing on our shelf.

Fundraising

Lead and coloured smencils are \$1.00 each, lucky dips are 50 cents and our Slap Bands with a variety of prints on them are \$2.00 each. All of these items can be purchased on Monday and Thursday mornings from the Uniform Shop window.