

# Term 4, Week 3 21 October 2013

# **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 <u>responsibility</u> for our actions, <u>safe</u> practices and a love for <u>learning</u>.

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# What's on at NEPS

## PBS Focus: Assembly Procedures

- Take hats off
- Walk in quietly and sit down
- Stand for the School Song and National Anthem
- Sit quietly and listen to your teacher
- Walk quietly back to class

#### Camp Currarong

It was wonderful to spend some quality time away from the school setting with 81 enthusiastic campers.

While the weather was dry this time, the wind provided challenging conditions for the children to pitch their tents. However, by early evening the conditions had improved and our campers were all set for a good night's sleep. On Friday all children participated in some wonderful activities provided by the teachers and Uncle Wayne. I'm sure that by the time the children arrived home on Friday afternoon they were tired and ready for a good rest.

I must acknowledge all of the teachers and office staff for their support in conducting the camping program, especially those who gave up their own time to stay at camp overnight. Without their dedication this kind of activity would not be possible.

# **Great Reading Results**

As part of the Early Action for Success Strategy that NEPS is involved with, all K-2 classes have been provided with extra support and training in the teaching of reading. Mrs Govender and Mrs Wilbraham have been providing classroom support and training for teachers since the beginning of Term 2. I'm pleased to report that reading levels in Kindergarten have almost reached state targets with almost a term left in the year, while Year 1 & 2 children have made fantastic progress in a very short time and will be very close to reaching the targets by the end of the year.

#### Cullunghutti Celebrations

Our choir and selected Koori dancers will be performing at the Cullunghutti Celebrations to be held this Friday at Shoalhaven Heads. This event has been organised by the National Parks and Wildlife Service to celebrate the gazettal of Coolangatta Mountain. This is indeed an honour for our kids to be involved with.

#### Shoalhaven River Festival

This Friday evening the choir will be performing as special guests at the opening of the Shoalhaven River Festival at the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre. Once again this is a great honour for the children as well as the many local business owners and dignitaries attending the opening. Mayor, Joanna Gash, has asked specifically to introduce the group. Good luck!

Mr Peter Collins Principal Page 2 of 2 21 October 2013

### SCHOOL NEWS

WEEK 3

Tuesday 22 October

2.00pm Attendance afternoon tea

Wednesday 23 October

Scripture

Stage 2 Beecroft

Thursday 24 October

KLA - Shoalhaven High - Year 6

NEPS Choir rehearsal - Shoalhaven Heads and

Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre

Friday 25 October

NEPS Choir - Shoalhaven Heads and Shoalhaven

Entertainment Centre

#### COMMUNITY GARDEN

Our Stage 2 Garden Ambassadors participated in the second workshop last Wednesday with Dan Deighton. At this workshop students set up another garden bed, planted seeds, started the woodchip path and learnt more about permaculture gardening. Students were also treated to a nice healthy lunch with fresh vegetables, fruit and fresh sourdough bread brought along by Dan. Our next workshop with be in Week 4 on Thursday 31 October.

Any parents or community members interested in being part of our community garden please contact John Stovin-Bradford.



#### **BOOKCLUB**

Please return orders and monies to the Canteen (not office) by Monday 28 October 2013. Sorry not late orders will be accepted.



#### P&C HALLOWEEN DISCO

P&C have organised a Halloween Disco on Thursday 31 October from 5.00pm to 7.00pm. We will be providing a hot dog, packet of popcorn and drink. All students will be given a trick or treat bag full of goodies to take home with them. Hey Kids, don't forget to dress up in your spookiest costumes!



# NOWRA COACHES SCHOOL STUDENT TRANSPORT SCHEME

School Student Transport Scheme provides subsidised travel, for eligible school students, to and from their home address. It does not extend to activities such as school excursions, friends' houses, sports and work experience, pre-schools, before and after school care of child minding premises.

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Should any children need to travel to any other location then their home address they must tender a fare. Parents are advised to contact Nowra Coaches on 4423 5244 to find out the correct fare for their particular travel needs.