



## Principals Message



This week we held our information session/morning tea for our 2015 Junior school families transitioning to Middle school. Thank you to Lenore and Judy for their organisation around this and for ensuring our new families left feeling reassured about the change and maybe even a little excited about the

wonderful programs on offer. Please see attached review.

We are celebrating Planet Ark School Tree Day today and the school is a sea of green as staff and students don green clothes and accessories. Look out for pics in next weeks' newsletter.

Schools across the state are now entering into the new 3 year planning cycle. Integral to this planning is feedback from our school community. Janelle Newman (P1) will be sending home a short survey to gather feedback to assist us in our forward planning. Please see information below.

### **EDUCATION WEEK activities.**

Just a reminder that we have an open session from 11.30am to 12.30pm on Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> August. Notes were sent home last week. Cuppa and biscuit afterwards for those who would like to.

**Regards**  
**Belinda Ryan**  
**Principal**

## School Community Survey



Dear Families

Term 3 will be a busy one for students and staff. We are developing a school improvement plan for the next 3 years (2015-2017) and would very much appreciate your ideas and suggestions. Next week you will receive a survey asking a number of questions about school culture, leadership and community involvement. Staff, students and our community will also be asked for their input in this process.

*Thankyou in advance. We certainly would like to improve "what we do and how we do it". We believe you are the best people to inform us in "what is best for students at Newcastle School". With your help we can "Improve outcomes for students" and be "Leaders of Special Education on the 21<sup>st</sup> Century".*

If you have any questions please contact your school Principal or P1 Principal, Janelle Newman.

**Regards**  
**Janelle Newman**  
**P1 Principal**

## Diary Dates - Term 3

### Week 3

Monday, July 28th	<b>Education Week</b>
Friday, August 1st	Education Week Open Session 11.30 am -12.30pm
Friday, August 1st	Jeans for Genes Day

### Week 7

Wednesday, August 27th	Life Education Visit
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## Office News

### Uniforms

With the colder weather now upon us we are placing an order for uniforms in 2 weeks. Please use the order form attached if you would like uniforms ordered.

### Term Fees

As we are now in Term 3 we would like to remind families that the voluntary school fees are due. They are \$25 a term or \$100 for the year. These go towards purchasing personal hygiene products as well as art and craft supplies for the children.

### Jeans for Genes Day

Next Friday, 1st August, is the annual Jeans for Genes day. Students are invited to wear their jeans for the day and we will collect a gold coin donation to go towards this charity.

*Susan and Kristy*

## Friends News

### Rise for Alex

Thank you so much to our generous families and staff who donated to the Rise for Alex day last Friday. It was so great to see students and staff dressed in Knights colours to show their support. We raised \$226.00 to go towards Alex's recovery! Please see the photo attached.

### Chocolate Drive

Please return any outstanding chocolate money as soon as possible. Thank you so much again for your ongoing support.

### Earthen Rhythms Drum Group Visit

Please note a change of date for our drum visit. It was planned for Wednesday 17th September but will now be Wednesday 10th September. Thank you to all families who have returned their permission slip and \$10.00.

We are very grateful for your ongoing support!

*Friends Committee*



Rising for Alex

## Bikes for You Project

This week five bicycles were delivered to school by Mr Kerry Braslin from "Alison Homestead Men's Shed" in Wyong. These bicycles have been restored by volunteers and donated to five of our students who indicated last term that they would like to receive one.

We sincerely thank Kerry and his team who have now restored and donated 350 bikes within the Newcastle/Central Coast area.

*Lenore Hanney*

*Assistant Principal*



## Welcome Morning Tea for Parents

On Tuesday 22nd July we hosted a morning tea for the parents of students currently in Year 4 at the Junior School Campus. The day was very well attended and the parents enjoyed an orientation tour of our school, a PowerPoint presentation about some of our programs and a question/answer session led by our Principal, Belinda Ryan.

It was a wonderful way to meet the families of students transitioning to our school in 2015.

*Lenore Hanney and Judy Mouthaan*

*Transition Co-ordinators*





# NEWCASTLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Uniform Shop Order

**as at November 2014**

Navy Zip Jacket:	\$25	Navy Trackpants:	\$20
Navy Jumper:	\$20	Navy Cuffed Trackpants:	\$20
Short Sleeved Red Polo Shirt:	\$20	Navy Gaberdine Skorts:	\$20
Long Sleeved Red Polo Shirt:	\$20	Navy Gaberdine Shorts:	\$15
Wide Brim Hat:	\$10		



**Childs' Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

	Size 4	Size 6	Size 8	Size 10	Size 12	Size 14	Size 16	Small	Med	Lge	COST
Short Sleeve Red Polo											
Navy Gaberdine Shorts											
Navy Gaberdine Skorts											
Long Sleeve Red Polo											
Navy Jumper											
Navy Zip Jacket											
Navy Trackpants											
Navy Cuffed Trackpants											
Wide Brim Hat	One Size Fits All										
Total Amount Paid											\$

Please hand your order form with full payment to the school office.

Allow time for processing as some stock may have to be ordered. For more information please phone the school office on 4960 2122.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment for: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ VISA ☐ Mastercard (✓Please Tick)

Card Number: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ CVC: \_\_\_\_ Cardholder's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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