



Principals Message



I have attached a hard copy of our school survey to the newsletter this week and encourage families to complete and send back to school. It is also available online via our school website.

<http://www.newcastle-s.schools.nsw.edu.au>

A huge thank you to Kate for all her hard work as she heads off on maternity leave. Kate has been working as a temporary



teacher in various roles for nearly 5 years. We held a lovely baby shower for her last week and are looking forward to meeting baby Vincent in the near future.



Mary-Anne Purkiss will be replacing Kate this term, continuing the team teaching arrangement with Virginia. Mary-Anne is a familiar person in Room 1 as she is also the support teacher vision. All the best to Kate and Nathan on their impending parenthood!!

Welcome aboard Mary-Anne.

Regards

Belinda Ryan
Principal

Friends News

Golf Day at Merewether Golf Club

Friday 7th November - we are seeking sponsors and raffle prize donations for our upcoming golf day. If you know anyone that may be able to assist, please let them know and we can organise to discuss options with them.

Bunnings BBQ

Saturday 6th September - We invite all our families and staff to drop in for a sausage sandwich if you are going by or just stop and say hi! We are very grateful for your ongoing support!

Chocolate Drive

We still have some boxes of chocolates left - if anyone is interested -please let your child's teacher know.

Thanks again for your ongoing support.

Friends Committee

Diary Dates - Term 3

Week 7

Wednesday, August 27th	Life Education Visit
------------------------	----------------------

Week 9

Wednesday, September 10th	Drum Group Performance 11.30am - 12.30pm
---------------------------	---

Room 1

This week Room 1 students went Ten Pin Bowling at Warners Bay Superstrike!

We enjoyed listening to the music and using the ramps to bowl.

We have some very good bowlers in our class, and even managed to get some strikes and spares!!

Congratulations to Jason who was our overall winner on 95 points!

Kate Vincent



PARENT/CARER SURVEY about Teaching/Learning and School Culture

As part of our school's self-evaluation, we would like to know the opinions of parents and caregivers on different areas of school life. Your response is confidential and will be stored securely. Survey completion is voluntary.

Question	Always	Some-times	Rarely
1. The school ensures that everyone at school is treated fairly.			
2. School leaders have a positive influence on the school culture.			
3. The school often praises and rewards students who are successful.			
4. I am proud of my child's school.			
5. The school appreciates having my child as a student.			
6. The school caters for the learning needs of all students.			
7. The school is continually finding ways to improve what it does.			
8. Teachers provide class activities that are interesting and appropriate to my child's needs and abilities.			
9. The school has involved parents and students in decisions about what it is aiming to do.			
10. The school provides clear information about student achievement through the term 1 and term 4 reports.			

Please comment:

What are some ways that school and families communicate? _____

What could be done to further enhance family involvement with our school? _____

If there was one major focus over the next 2-3 years to enhance student outcomes what would be your priority? _____

Thankyou for completing this survey

If you would like to complete an additional (different) survey please complete the Community survey found on the "Newcastle School Website"

www.newcastle-s.schools.det.nsw.edu.au

More Education Week 2014 Drum Group and Sensory Activities





Trivia Night!

Please come along to our Trivia night to raise funds for Newcastle Junior School! NJS is a school that provides quality learning experiences and opportunities for students with a disability in the Newcastle/Lake Macquarie area.



Come join us for a night of trivia, live music and fun games and prizes.

When? Saturday 20th of September 2014

6:30 arrival for a 7:30 start.

Where? Gallipoli Legions Club—Beaumont St Hamilton.

Each team must have no more than 10 members at a cost of \$200 per table (10 x \$20 per person) to be paid in cash or cheque **before 15/09/14** to

Newcastle Junior School

64 Hillsborough Rd, Hillsborough 2290.

A \$50 deposit will reserve you a table.

Get in quick as tables will be limited!

For enquiries please call the school on 49433479.

