

# JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

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## **Principal's Message**



The staff of Newcastle Junior School would like to wish all students and their families a happy and safe Easter Holiday.

# Students return to school on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021.**

#### Easter Raffle.

Support for this year's raffle has been nothing short of overwhelming. Thank you to all who generously donated items and sold tickets.

The raffle prizes were amazing and we raised over \$400. The major prize winner was our own Jonah Caldwell from Class 3. Well Done Jonah !

A special thankyou to the staff on Early Stage 1 for coordinating the raffle this year.

### **Staffing Changes**

I have been asked to step into the Newcastle School Lead Principal role for Term 2. In my absence Assistant Principal Mandy Carter will be the Junior School Principal. Kristin Hancock will replace Mandy as the Assistant Principal for Stage 2 and Adrianna Viola will become the full time teacher for Class 8.

#### **Weebly Website**

If you are looking for an idea to keep the kids entertained over the holiday break check out our Weebly Website. Login details will be emailed through to you today via our SkoolBag App.

### Late Arrivals / Early Leavers

When students arrive after **9.00am** we ask they to come to the office to be signed in and the class will then be phoned to come and collect your child. If your child is being picked up from school before **2.30pm** please ensure that they are signed out through the office.

#### **Attendance**

Regular attendance is a major focus for Junior, Middle and Senior Schools this year. Currently our attendance rates are below the state average. We are aiming to have a 90% attendance rate on regular school days.

Department of Education Policy requires our schools to seek confirmation from parents when students are consistently away from school. This may mean asking for a Dr's certificate in addition to a note from parents. Students who regularly do not attend and do not have supporting documents from a Doctor may be referred to the Home School Liaison team and ultimately have their place at the school reviewed. We appreciate that many of our students have complex needs and the best place for a sick child is at home. However if a student is consistently at home 'sick' the school will need a certificate from a doctor.

Thanks Graham Finch PRINCIPAL









# A safe and friendly community for children with a disability

Rainbow Club welcomes children with a disability for individualised swimming lessons to learn to swim, be safe in the water, interact, feel included, play and have fun.



#### Swim the Rainbow

- Our unique Swim the Rainbow program has been specially designed to teach children with a disability
- The swimming goals are aligned to the seven colours of the Rainbow to help build confidence
- Individualised swim lessons are delivered by qualified and dedicated swim teachers

#### **Register your interest**

- Vacancies arise at short notice, so we recommend you register and be ready to start swimming with a Club that understands and supports children with a disability (regardless of the type of disability)
- There is an expectation that a parent or guardian will remain close by during lessons to assist if required

#### About Rainbow Club

- We provide a membership for the duration of a school term (9 weekly half hour lessons)
- Our social calendar has something for everyone
- Club Committees are run
  by volunteers

We can't wait to see you at Rainbow Club soon!

#### Rainbow Club is a network of social swimming clubs for children with a disability

Join us! Sign-up online at myrainbowclub.org.au/register/

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