Week 7  20th November 2013

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RELIEVING PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents,

As we head towards the end of 2013, it is timely to reflect on the achievements of our students. We certainly have arrived at a very busy time of the year. Before I mention some of the end of year activities, I would like to thank the students for their excellent behaviour while on Zoosnooz. Also to the parents who attended and gave up their time to ensure the children were safe and happy. A huge thank you goes to the teachers Miss Gray, Mr Cull and especially, Miss Bendeich for her superb organisation. It is wonderful to know that we have such dedicated teachers who give up their time so readily to support a wonderful program such as Zoosnooz. This was also Miss Gray’s second overnight excursion this year.

It is also a busy time for our new Kindergarten students commencing in 2014. We had an orientation this week and the final one will be next Tuesday, 26th November at 9:15am. During this session, parents will go to the hall for an information session. Mr Sheridan has been busy making sure that our Year 6 leaders next year, buddy up with our new Kinder students to guide them as they embark on the wonderful journey that is Normanhurst Public School. Thank you Mr Sheridan for your organisation of these successful and informative events.

Speaking of leaders a letter will go home this Friday for Year 5 to nominate as a school leader in 2014. Students will make a short speech in the hall next Wednesday, 27th November. All students from Years 2-6 will vote for their leaders and the successful students will be announced during the Presentation Day assembly on Tuesday, 10th December. Good luck Year 5 students!

An invitation has gone home for parents to attend the helpers morning tea also on Wednesday, 27th November. This is an opportunity to thank all the parents who continue to support the work in our school. As parents who give up their time by driving students to functions such as sports events, band, choir, reading groups, covering books or scripture we thank you immensely.

One last note in regards to outstanding leadership. Year 6 tomorrow has planned their annual mini-fete. They have been very busy planning their activities based around moving, guessing or eating. They have organised activities and prizes. They have requested that smaller coins come to school for change as students purchase items. All students will be wearing their sports uniform.

Best wishes for the remainder of Term 4.

Vern Barling –Relieving Principal
Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at our last assembly.

- Evie W KIJ
- Ibrahim A KIJ
- Ashleigh D KS
- Nathan R KS
- Ani K KB
- Dakota A KB
- Jack L-S 1H
- Amy L 1H
- Olivia U 1S
- Yumi V 1S
- Hannah P 2P
- Daniel H 2P
- Annie Z ESL
- Will D 1/6C
- Chris M 1/6C

- Caitlin D 2N
- Liam M 2N
- Paige C 3V
- Joey T 3V
- Oliver H 3/4G
- Daniel R 3/4G
- Mitchell R 4C
- Ashlyn M 4C
- Ben T 4/5J
- Antonia H 5/6B
- Emma B 5/6B
- Minh N 6G
- Jackson D 6G

**BAKERS NEEDED**

On **Tuesday 26th November** we are having our final Kindergarten orientation morning for the little people and their parents coming in 2014 and we will be providing morning tea.

We are asking all families to help us cater for the morning tea. Baked/bought items can be left at the school office or brought to the canteen on the morning of the 26th.

Thank you, your help is much appreciated yet again!

**Emma Veale and Amanda Dougall**

**P&C NEWS**

- [www.npspandc.com](http://www.npspandc.com)
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**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**

Book Club order forms (Issue #8) have been distributed this week. This is a great opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping. If you would like me to hold your items for collection from the office, please include a note specifying this. Payment by cheque to Scholastic Australia or credit card payments (online or phone – follow the instructions on the order form). **Please do not send cash. Orders close Monday 25th November.**

A new book club co-ordinator will be needed for next year. If you are interested in taking over this volunteer role I would love to hear from you. It requires a few hours twice a term and having access to the internet is essential. The school benefits from book club by receiving lots of new books for the library and resources for the classroom.

Enquiries to Leanne Pardy (M) 0423 343 894 (H) 9484 5495 (email) pardys@optusnet.com.au

**Leanne Pardy**
Training Band – will not be on this Thursday due to the mini fete.

Ensemble – will finish on Wednesday 4th December for the year.

All Bands – we still do not have a committee for next year. Please consider volunteering ASAP. It is a fun committee. Most of the current committee work full time and can fit the band activities into our work lives so please let us know if you would like to help. Email Simonie Fox on sim_fox@me.com if you are interested.

NPS Band Committee

A student in 2N has lost a much loved toy. It is blue in colour and about 10cm high and soft in nature and possesses a tail. You can tell it is much loved because it looks a bit rough around the edges.

Check your child’s school bag just in case he has hitched a lift with the wrong person. If found please return him to the school office or to Mrs Newton.

Year 1 and others – Sunday 24th November – 9.00am to 12.30pm – meeting in the lower quad.

Yes it's that time already – we will be working around the lower quad doing a general tidy up ahead of the Christmas concert. House points are awarded to all children who attend.

Please, please, please remember to bring your own equipment: whipper snippers, wheelbarrows, rakes, blowers, secateurs, shovels and spades. Don’t forget your hats, gloves and water.

If you are not a P&C member you can become a member by paying $2 on the day so that you are covered for insurance purposes.

A great opportunity to catch up, meet other parents and do a little bit to keep our children’s school looking great. We will work around the occasional rain shower – but if raining steadily the working bee will be cancelled.

Louise Courtney
NPS P&C Ground Co-ordinator
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