Dear Parents,

By the time you are reading this, Mrs Grimmond, Mr Barling, myself and Miss Gray will be in Canberra seeing the sights with Years Five and Six. Miss Bendeich has had an unexpected personal matter to attend to at home this week, and in the true Normanhurst spirit Miss Gray was only too happy to volunteer for the sake of the students and come along at very short notice. Thank you so much Miss Gray!

I was delighted to award twelve, yes twelve Striver Badges to students last week.

Congratulations to Chantel F, Erika M, Tessa O, Shakib Z, Owen P, Lachlan K, Kathy K, Lara U, Zoe W, Damien K, Jack R and Natalie K. Congratulations to these fantastic students. There are many others who are very close to their fourth certificate, which is very exciting!

It’s getting very close to the School Concert next week. Please remember Wednesday’s night concert is at Normanhurst Boys High School and our Tuesday matinee is at our own school hall. As you can imagine, trying a new venue for the first time may have its own teething problems, but hopefully with your patience and the hall’s greater capacity it will be a sensational night. Having watched the run-through on Monday, I honestly think the performances are even better than last year!

On Wednesday 21st August between 10.30am and 1.00pm the whole school will be going to Normanhurst Boys High School for a concert rehearsal. The children will be walking to the High School and will be supervised by teachers to and from the school.

On Monday, 26th August it is the last of our Kindergarten Open Mornings from 9:15am to 10:45am. It has been wonderful to see new parents to the school and meet their children. If you are aware of any new parents wishing to come up and have a look around the school please make them aware of this date. Our Kindergarten Orientation Day will be held later this year in early November.

David Beggs

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at last week’s assembly.

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Michael F 1H  Harry L  4C
Sera F 1H  Maddy G  4C
Liam H 1S  Nicholas G  4/5J
Arjuna K 1S  Hala F  4/5J
Ayden B 2P  Archie H  5/6B
Bailey C 2P  Harry W 5/6B
Ian G ESL  Jack M  6G
Lachlan K 6G

HELPERS NEEDED

Kindergarten and Year 1 participate on a Friday between 9.00am and 10.00am in a range of tabloid gross motor activities. These activities include throwing and catching, skipping, soccer, cricket skills, hurdles, mini trampolines, obstacles courses etc.

We are looking (desperate) for more parent helpers to assist in supervising an activity. It is lots of fun! If you can help, please join us on the lower quad at 9.00am on Friday.

P&C NEWS

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Fathers’ Day Breakfast/Obstacle-a-thon

With a jam-packed calendar looming we have decided this year to combine our Fathers’ Day Breakfast with the ever popular Obstacle-a-thon. We will be opening the course from 8.00am until the bell for kids to challenge their Dads (or Granddads!). Only those children with their Dad present will be allowed on the course at this time and please ensure your child has returned their Obstacle-a-thon form prior to the day. The P&C will be providing tea and coffee and there will be a limited number of brekky snacks available for purchase. The normal Obstacle-a-thon events will continue over the rest of the day so everyone will still get a chance to challenge the course. And Dads, might be best to leave the suit at home that day!

Christmas Raffle

The P&C will once again be running our traditional Christmas raffles and Lisa Christy is currently coordinating donations to fill the hampers. You should have seen a flyer from her asking for suitable offerings and we are also looking to broaden our reach to local businesses to ask for their support. If you know of any business owners who may be able to help, or if you are willing to knock on a few doors, please contact me at president@npspandc.com and I will pass on Lisa’s request letter for you to use.

Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall

We are a little under four weeks away from this key fundraising event for the P&C. I have had a few offers of help but we need many more. If you can spare an hour or two out of your Saturday to give us a hand please let me know via email and I will start to get a roster together. Kindy, Year 3 and Year 5 are in the hot seat for this one and I would hope that those families can fill most of our slots, but as always we will take any and all comers. You should have received a flyer yesterday, please complete and return to the office if you are able to assist in any way.

Scott Veale

PSSA SPORT

Soccer

Friday of last week, Normanhurst Public School PSSA soccer teams ventured to Epping Oval, this time to take on Epping Public School. In their penultimate game of the year both teams gave their all.

The Red Team had another close tussle and once again the backs and midfield combined well to create a solid attacking platform. Despite conceding early the Red Team didn’t give up. There was determined defence characterised by strong clearances from Blaze, Riley and James, who put in a stellar performances, along with some great runs and set up plays by Nicholas and Denny. Harry and Edward swapped positions this game and both players revelled in their roles. The forwards again worked tirelessly, Elias, Jack and Tom, in particular, and they were rewarded for their hard work when Jack netted the equalizer. In the end it was a hard fought draw 1-1.
The Blue Team put in a confident and resolute display to record their first win of the season. Nick, Aron and Lachlan laboured tirelessly at the back, as did Ralph and Jackson in goal, and their determined team effort saw them set up plenty of chances, one of which was brilliantly converted by William in the second half. Josh once more played strongly in the midfield as did Sean, Payton and Caitlyn yet again put together some great attacking runs up front. And Owen made some excellent breaks on the wing which paved the way for the win. The team displayed great sportsmanship and skill in their 1 – 0 victory.

Keep up the excellent teamwork and fantastic effort.

Jason Cull

Netball

Both teams had fantastic wins against Epping Public School.


Players of the week were Charlotte M (A Team) and Rebecca K (B Team).

Well done girls. One more game to go on Friday 23rd August against Beecroft at Cheltenham Oval.

It has been a fantastic season and you have all played so well. You have been wonderful representatives for our school. Enjoy Canberra and we will be back on court on the 23rd August.

Katrina Prince

PARENT BAND ROSTER

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WORKING BEE

Kindergarten and Year 3 – Sunday 25th August – 1.00-4.00pm

Meeting point will be the lower playground. The working bees are a great informal way to meet new families or catch up with those you do not see often. House points are awarded to all children who attend.

You need to bring your own (labelled) equipment, which can include the following: whipper snippers, bushman’s saws, wheelbarrows, rakes, blower, mowers, secateurs, shovels and spades. Don’t forget you hats, gloves and water.

If you are not a P&C member you can become a member by paying $2.00 on the day so that you are covered for insurance purposes.

Louise Courtney
NPS P&C Grounds Coordinator

MATCH-IT TV SHOW

The ‘Match-It” shows featuring last year’s Year 6 is being shown on TV channel 7Two this week between 7.30am and 8.00am.

CANTEEN NEWS

Our helpers for August are as follows:-

16th August    Heather K/Tim W/Jeanette S (9-12)
19th August    Denise P
21st August    Michelle F
23rd August   Phaedra P(11.30-1.30)/Louise H/Susan M
26th August   Katrina H
28th August    Natalie S
30th August   Mel r/Romaine B/Angie M (9-12)

Thank you
Alex
canteen@nspandc.com or 9989 8775

ZONE ALTHLETICS

To follow the journey of the Zone and Regional Athletics Carnivals you can visit the Normanhurst Public School website and follow the links to the Beecroft Zone website as follows:-

From the Normanhurst Public School website select ‘Curriculum and Activities’ – ‘Sport and Physical Activity’, Beecroft ‘Zone Website’, ‘Calendar’. By selecting the date you will be given venue information and times.

Vern Barling
TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, 14 September, 7pm

Trivia, networking, music, dancing… FUN!

Best “Hat & Cap” prizes to be won!

Join this annual parent’s event! … here’s what you need to do:

• Register your team of 8-10 by filling a form available at the School Office
• Name your team in synch with “Hats & Caps” theme
• Make payment of $5 per person with registration

If you don’t have a team - register and we will find you one!
(Text 0404811409 with queries)

***DONATION of some prizes most welcome***

COMMUNITY NEWS

Cricket – Want to be the next Ellyse Perry or Alex Blackwell? For those girls still deciding what sport to play in the summer, why not give girl’s cricket a go? Join a team in the Northern Sydney Girls Cricket Association, learn new skills and make a new friend! All games are Friday nights or Saturday afternoons, Twenty/20, played in coloured clothing and everyone gets to bat, bowl and field. If you still aren’t convinced, why not come along to our free cricket clinics in August or September? For more information, visit our website http://nsgca.nsw.cricket.com.au/ or email nsgcacricket@gmail.com.

YOUR HELP PLEASE

for the Christmas Raffle Prizes

This year the P&C would like to run the Christmas Raffle again, with a combination of prizes donated by local businesses and hampers put together by each Year Classes.

If you can source or donate large prizes please contact Lisa at 0404811409, or alternatively a small contribution to the hampers would be fantastic!
(new items only please, any value)

**Donations can left at the School Office in the box marked Christmas Hamper**

Kindergarten -> BBQ & Garden Hamper
Year 1 -> Dad’s Treat Hamper
Year 2 -> Wine & Chocolates Hamper
Year 3 -> Children’s Play & Learn Hamper
Year 4 -> Bonny Baby Hamper
Year 5 -> Mum’s Pamper Hamper
Year 6 – Chill Out Hamper

The above Year Hampers are a guide only, and of course if you prefer to donate to a different hamper that would be welcome.