



# Newbery Park Primary School

Principal Sam Currie | Term 2, week 6 – 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2022

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Hi Families,

Last week I sent out some communication detailing an extremely busy few weeks coming up with a number of events occurring which we would like to see you at, along with 2 Pupil Free Days. Below is some additional information on these events.

## **Week 7 - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June: Indigenous Garden Launch**

Next Thursday at 9am, we invite all families to attend the launch of our Indigenous Garden, "Budinya Mraatu".

The planning of this learning space began halfway through 2021, with the earthworks beginning over the Christmas Holidays to remove the old tennis courts, flatten out and level the surface and to then begin working through our learning space design to resemble the local 'Craitbul' Dreamtime story.

A project such as this takes an enormous amount of planning and Angela Jones (Eco Learning SSO) and Donna Baker (ACEO) have led this from the beginning and have done a tremendous job in this space. Bowman Earthmovers were contracted to do the work for the school and they have gone above and beyond in their consultation with us and added touches to our space to make it more accessible for water.

This is a significant event for the school that we are all looking forward to and we would like as many families as possible to come along and enjoy the launch with us. There will be activities (and plenty of planting) occurring throughout the day, so even if you are unable to attend the launch at 9am, please feel free to visit throughout the day.

## **Week 7 - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June: Pupil Free Day**

As a school, we are focusing on improving our knowledge of the "Big 6" in Reading and how we teach these strategies throughout a reading block (Modelled / Shared / Guided / Independent). Throughout the day, teachers will be involved in Professional Development particularly around Modelled Reading and how all elements of the "Big 6" can be taught through this. We look forward to implementing these strategies with the students following the day in order to improve all student's skills in reading.

## **Week 8: - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: Working Bee / School Disco**

With some 'odd jobs' popping up around the school and some very enthusiastic parents and teaching staff keen to support the school, we have decided to hold a "Working Bee" on Thursday afternoon, the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June.

The "Working Bee" will run from 1:30 - 4:30pm with some "snags and soft drink" to follow for those who would like to stay and enjoy afterwards. Some of these odd jobs include some planting around the school, some painting and some work in the school garden. If you have any time to give on the Thursday afternoon, we would love to see you here and helping out!

Alongside of our "Working Bee", the SRC will be running a school disco for all year levels from 3:30-4:30pm in the Gym.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### Week 7

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June**  
Public Holiday  
No School

**Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> June**  
Indigenous Garden  
Launch

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June**  
Pupil Free Day

### Week 8

**Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June**  
Working Bee  
1.30 – 4.30pm  
DISCO  
3.30 – 4.30pm

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June**  
Pupil Free Day

### Week 9

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June**  
Room 6 Excursion

## **2022 TERM DATES**

Term 1  
2<sup>nd</sup> February –  
14<sup>th</sup> April

Term 2  
2<sup>nd</sup> May – 8<sup>th</sup> July

Term 3  
25<sup>th</sup> July – 30<sup>th</sup>  
September

Term 4  
17<sup>th</sup> October –  
16<sup>th</sup> December



### **Week 8 - Friday 24th June: Pupil Free Day**

On Friday the 24th of June (week 8), we will be holding a Pupil Free Day for our teaching staff to attend a Professional Development based around Success Criteria and Learning Intentions. While Newbery Park has done some extensive work in this space in the past, with a new teaching team over the last 2-3 years, it is important that we re-visit these high impact teaching strategies. This is also a fantastic opportunity for our teaching staff to connect with other teachers from schools within our SECAV partnership, with over 130 teachers attending the day.

### **School Uniform**

With cooler weather upon us it is important to ensure that our children wear appropriate school uniform to help with regulating their body temperature. Living in the South East can mean that we see some pretty cold and rough weather from time to time and the last few weeks have definitely delivered in this space! We support and understand that waterproof and thicker than usual jackets (above and beyond the normal school jumper) which may not comply with the school uniform code may be worn outside and whilst in transition to school, however, once student learning begins, students will be asked to remove these articles of clothing in the classroom.

Our winter uniform comprises of the following items.

- Navy Blue School Jumper
- Navy Blue pants
- School polo top (can be purchased from the front office)
- Blue Check Girls School dress

Items of clothing which are black in colour, leggings, jeans or items with visible stripes or large logos are not items of school uniform.

Please look over school uniform guidelines above and if you are having challenges with locating these items or purchasing these items, please come in and have a conversation with myself, Tam or Guido in the office.

Sam Currie  
Principal

# **SCHOOL DISCO AND WORKING BEE**

**SRC are holding a Disco  
in the Gym.**

**Week 8 - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June  
3.30 – 4.30pm**



**Working  
Bee**



A "Working Bee" will run from 1:30 - 4:30pm on the same day!  
"Snags and soft drink" to follow for those who would like to stay and enjoy afterwards.

## YELP 2022 Camp



On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of June, YELP students Isabel, Eli and Noah travelled to the Wirreanda Bunkhouse in Naracoorte. They had an amazing time getting to know other schools such as Mulga Street Primary, St Anthony's Catholic Primary School, Mount Burr Primary and homeschooled students.



They explored the Endangered Bent-Winged Bats, Victoria Fossil Caves, and engaged in a series of workshops that involved connecting with nature and helping E.M. Through letters and activities, YELP students participated in working as a team to identify lost items across the camp site. They engaged in a quiz night on the first night to reflect on knowledge learnt from Day 1, and walked around the Naracoorte Campsite on Day 2.

My name is Noah and at camp we learnt that munch lines are just food cycles. Sun munchers are plants because plants eat the sun's energy. Plant munchers are animals that eat plants. Animal munchers are animals that eat other animals and that is what I liked. I also liked meeting my roommates and Vanessa and Damien.



Hi, my name is Isabel. My favourite part about camp was when we had to stand in a line. Your left hand had to be holding a rope and your right hand had to be on the person's shoulder in front of you.

Then we had to be tied to a tree with a blindfold on and we had to touch the tree. When we went back to the line we had to hold the rope again and we took our blindfolds off and we had to find the tree we touched. The purpose of this was to connect with nature using your other senses.

Even though they will say food was their favourite thing, they thoroughly enjoyed connecting with nature and putting their sustainable footprint on the earth by collecting their K and E keys. They will engage in catch-up days on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August (Term 3, Week 3) and the 16<sup>th</sup> November (Term 4, Week 5).



Hi my name is Eli and I loved camp. I liked everything about camp and my favourite thing about camp was the time capsules. So we had to use our K key to unlock the boxes we found. The boxes had labels on them. The boxes were labelled numbers 1 through to 9.

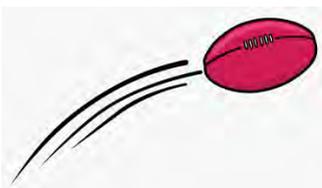


## *Millicent* Then and Now

Room 3 are currently learning about how Millicent has changed over the years. We went for a walk through the town to look at some of the historic buildings and how their use has changed. This included the railway station (now a radio station) and the old high school (now the council chambers).

We looked at these photos to try to identify what has changed and what has stayed the same. What do you notice?





# Gala Day



On Sunday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May, 13 Newbery Park students competed on GALA Day. We would like to give a big thank you to Fiona Hein (coach), Miss Thorogood (umpire), Jay Watson and Brooke Pary (scorers) who volunteered to assist with the netball as well as Jacob Lang (SSO) who coached the Glencoe combined footy team and former Newbery student, Zack Brant for umpiring. Without them, this day would not have been possible!





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# FAMILY TREE

Josh Pyke Ronojoy Ghosh

Wednesday  
25 May 2022

## NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME 2022

#NSS2022 #1MillionKidsReading [www.alia.org.au/nss](http://www.alia.org.au/nss)





## National Simultaneous Storytime 'Family Tree' by Josh Pyke

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. Now in its 21st successful year, it is a colorful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum.

By facilitating NSS we aim to:

- promote the value of reading and literacy
- promote the value and fun of books
- promote an Australian writer and publisher
- promote story time activities in our library

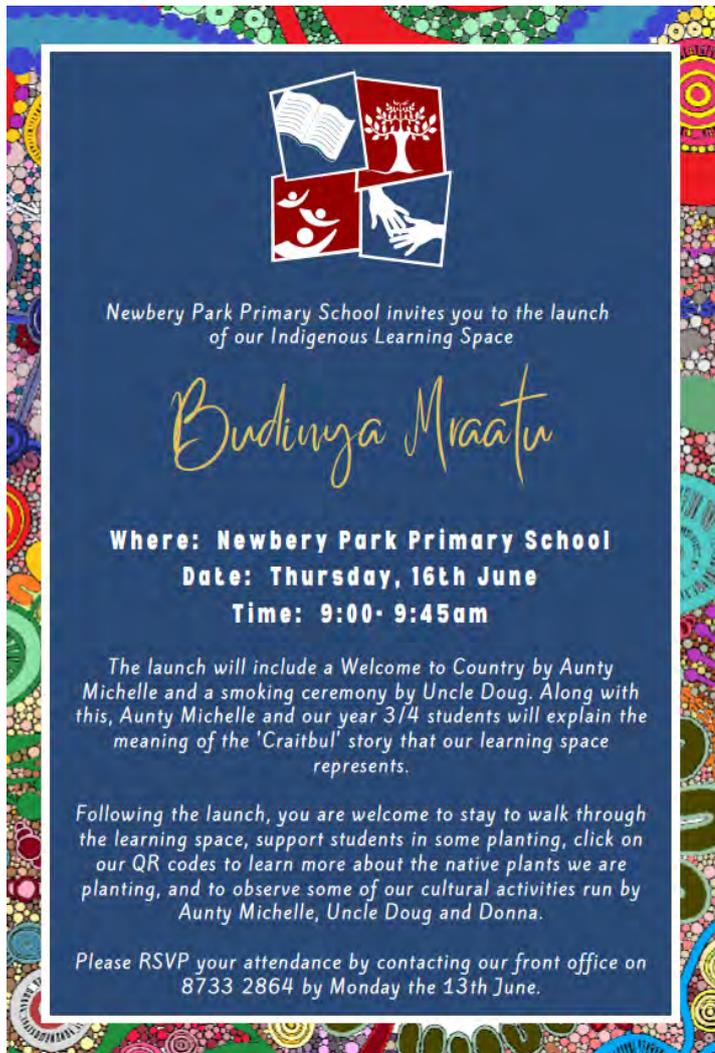
2019 was the biggest and most successful NSS to date with over 1,138,000 participants at over 11,550 locations, including participants from New Zealand, Thailand, UK, Canada, Singapore, Vietnam and Hong Kong.

This year Newbery Park students decorated a leaf which included their family members. They were placed on their class trees that were kindly loaned to our school by McCourts Garden Centre. Thank you McCourts Garden Centre.

We were lucky enough to be joined by McArthur Park Kindy who also place leaves onto their tree just like the big kids.

All students received a certificate for attending.

A special thank you to Charli Rogers from Rm 10 for her awesome art work on the white board in the Library of her idea of family.



  
 Newbery Park Primary School invites you to the launch  
 of our Indigenous Learning Space  
  
*Budinya Mraatu*  
  
**Where: Newbery Park Primary School**  
**Date: Thursday, 16th June**  
**Time: 9:00- 9:45am**  
  
*The launch will include a Welcome to Country by Aunty Michelle and a smoking ceremony by Uncle Doug. Along with this, Aunty Michelle and our year 3/4 students will explain the meaning of the 'Craitbul' story that our learning space represents.*  
  
*Following the launch, you are welcome to stay to walk through the learning space, support students in some planting, click on our QR codes to learn more about the native plants we are planting, and to observe some of our cultural activities run by Aunty Michelle, Uncle Doug and Donna.*  
  
*Please RSVP your attendance by contacting our front office on 8733 2864 by Monday the 13th June.*

## MID-YEAR INTAKE - INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



We are introducing a mid-year intake into preschool from 2023 and for school (reception) from 2024.

### STARTING PRESCHOOL

From 2023 children who turn 4 years old:

- **before 1 May** continue to start preschool at the beginning of the year
- **from 1 May to 31 October** start preschool through the mid-year intake at the start of term 3 of that year
- **after 31 October** start preschool at the beginning of the following year.

Children will undertake 4 terms (1 year) of preschool, regardless of whether they start at the beginning of the year, or through a mid-year intake.

Further information about how to submit registration of interest for mid-year entry to preschool will be available soon.

### STARTING SCHOOL

From 2024 children who turn 5 years old:

- **before 1 May** can start primary school (the first year is known as reception) at the beginning of the year
- **from 1 May to 31 October** start school through the mid-year intake at the start of term 3 of that year
- **after 31 October** start school at the beginning of the following year.

Students who start school at the beginning of the year will complete 4 terms of reception.

Students who start school through a mid-year intake (start of term 3) will complete 6 terms of reception.

### CHILDREN WITH DISABILITY OR ADDITIONAL NEEDS

If you have a child with disability or additional needs, talk to the principal or preschool director about the starting time that best suits your child's needs.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

Our website has key information for families [starting preschool](#) and [starting school](#). Further information on the mid-year intake will be released as we progress.

[www.education.sa.gov.au](http://www.education.sa.gov.au)



## REMINDER

# PUPIL FREE DAYS

**Week 7**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

**Week 8**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June**