Learning For Life

Assembly Roster
This week’s assembly will be hosted by 1B

Mother’s Day
Don’t forget to spoil your mum this Sunday.
Thank you to the P & C for organising the Mother’s Day Stall this week.

NAPLAN
NAPLAN testing will take place next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for year 3 and 5 students. Students should be on time for school on these days as the tests will be completed in the morning.

Cleaning Up After the Storm
Last week the large tree that came down in the storm was removed. The safety fence remains until the damage to the school fence and asphalt area is fixed. Limbs from other trees in the playground were also removed and the fence near the court will soon be removed. Leaks are still being fixed in a number of rooms. Hopefully all will be back to normal in the next couple of weeks.

Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016
If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016, you will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student’s email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online is available at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. The application website opened on 27 April 2015 and closes on 15 May 2015. No late applications will be accepted. All present year 4 students will receive further information.

Quality Kids

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Important Dates

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Zone Athletics
At the end of last term students from years 3 – 6 represented our school at the Newcastle Zone Cross Country. Our students were amazing ambassadors for our school. Their sportsmanship, support of each other, the positive attitude shown and their determination to complete the course were of the highest standard. Congratulations to all students involved.

Regional Athletics
Tai Elers and Oliver Redhead both finished 2nd in their age groups, which were wonderful results that qualified them for regional. Both these boys will be competing at the Hunter Regional Cross Country Carnival to be held this Friday 8th May. We wish Tai and Oliver all the best for Friday.

Regional Netball Trials
Congratulations to Hannah Capper who was chosen to trial at the Hunter Regional Netball Trials. Hannah is a very talented netballer who plays in the shooting positions. Well done Hannah.
Library News

Premier’s Reading Challenge 2015
Congratulations to Mali Shotton, Alice Bradley & Dexter Bradley for completing the PRC - fantastic reading! [https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html]

Happy reading
Louise Troup
Teacher Librarian

Canteen News

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Keep an eye out in your child’s school bag next week. They will be bringing home an order form for a “Design Your Own Cup Cake”.

FRUIT AND VEG DRIVE
Order forms went home last week for your chance to purchase a fantastic box of fruit and veg. We had many happy customers last time. Orders are due by Tuesday 12th May. Delivery Thursday 14th May. $35 each box and “Talk Fresh” donate $7.50 from each box straight back into the school for purchase great educational resources.

P&C News

Entertainment Books
The new Entertainment Books are now available from the school office. At $60 each, they make a perfect gift for Mum & the school receives $12 from each sale.
With 25% off and 2-for-1 offers at businesses like Yoghurtland, The Stag and Hunter, cinemas, and hundreds more, you’ll cover the cost of your Membership in no time!
Follow the link below, and choose between a book or a digital copy which loads directly onto your smart phone. [https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/3566y5]

New Treasurer
The P&C are seeking a new Treasurer to join a dedicated and friendly P&C Association. If you are interested in finding out more about this position please call Lauren on 0408 069 583 for more information.

Uniform Shop
We are seeking a volunteer to assist one morning or afternoon per week with the uniform shop. This is a fantastic opportunity to assist the children, parents, school and update your work skills. If you are interested in volunteering or want more information please leave your details at the office. The Uniform Shop will be opened Monday afternoons 3pm to 3.15pm and Friday morning 8.45 to 9.15.

Mother’s Day Stall
A big thank you to Mrs Hill for organising another fabulous mother’s day stall. Of course, this would not be such a success without the assistance of many volunteers – Thank You.

If your child was unable to purchase a gift there will be another stall on Friday outside the canteen at lunch time for K-6.

A big thank you to Mrs Hill for organising another fabulous Mother’s Day Stall. Of course, this would not be such a success without the assistance of many volunteers - Thank you. Special thanks go to those families who donated items to sell at the stall.
Planning & Regulatory, A.Baxter, TC  
Regulatory Services  
Phone: 02 4974 5028

28 January 2015

PARK SAFE STAY SAFE – SCHOOL PROGRAM 2015

We know that the safety of your students and staff is always your primary concern, and we share that concern at the City of Newcastle. In 2015, Council is introducing a new program to bring local communities together to help ensure everyone is safe on the way to and from school.

The Park Safe, Stay Safe program is designed to improve safety around our schools by working with principals, parents, students and the broader community to educate everyone about parking safety. Our parking officers will be working to deliver school safety messages to the 51 primary schools across the Newcastle local government area.

Key messages

Park safe to keep our children safe: Children look to parents and teachers to provide them with safe access to school.

Learn the do’s and don’ts of kiss and ride zones: These work best if you
- only stop for two minutes
- stay close to your car and
- stop as close to the head of the zone as possible to allow easy access for everyone.

We will visit each school at various times over a two week period with follow up visits if necessary.

Week 1 Parking officers will liaise with parents, carers and teachers providing courtesy information and advice. No parking penalty notices will be issued during this first visit.

Week 2 Parking officers will liaise with parents, carers and teachers providing courtesy information and advice. Enforcement of kerb side parking signage will occur.

Parking officers will revisit each school periodically to monitor compliance with the kerb side signage in order to reduce the risk for children arriving and leaving school.

Our parking officers have been actively undertaking school parking patrols since we became responsible for on-street parking enforcement in July 2002.
The *Park Safe, Stay Safe* program has been developed in response to frequently identified parking issues at schools. We have a rotating roster for parking officers to visit all schools, primarily for enforcement of the on-street parking restrictions but also to identify those schools with specific community issues.

These issues include:
- the location of the school and its proximity to main roads
- the layout of the school
- the number of entry and exit gates
- location of pedestrian facilities
- education for parents and carers on parking safely when dropping off or picking up their children from school.

Generally, these issues contribute to why parents, carers and visitors to the schools park in a manner which may compromise safety. Schools which have been identified in this way are visited more frequently than others.

**Common areas of concern**
- Drivers picking up/dropping off on or close to school pedestrian crossings
- Drivers picking up/dropping off in no stopping and bus zones
- Drivers stopping for long periods of time in no parking zones
- Drivers parking for too long in short term drop off and pick up zones.

Implementation of the *Park Safe, Stay Safe* program is intended to address these areas of concern, help educate drivers about proper parking procedures during pick up and drop off times and generally improve safety for everyone in the school communities.

Should you have any questions or require any further information, please contact Tracy Connolly, Senior Parking Officer - Supervisor on 4974 5027.

Yours faithfully

Andrew Baxter  
Manager – Regulatory Services
**Kids look to you to keep them safe**

*No parking* areas and/or *kiss and ride* zones have been installed at most schools to help parents and carers safely drop off and pick up children.

For these zones to work effectively, parents and carers need to:

- **Be timely.** If there is no indicated time on the No Parking sign, you are only permitted to stop for 2 minutes. If your child does not enter or exit the vehicle within that time, you are required to exit the zone and re-enter when the child is ready.

- **Not move more than three metres from your vehicle.** For example, a driver may get out of the car, open the boot and help children with their bags, but they must not move any further than 3 metres from their vehicle.

- **Stop their vehicle as close as possible to the head of the zone,** this will allow other parents and carers easy access to the zone.

For enquiries please call 4974 2000.

For more information visit: [www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au](http://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au)