Welcome back to Term Two. I hope you had a restful holiday. This Term is extremely busy and teachers are currently writing First Semester reports. Years 3 and 5 will sit the Naplan tests next week starting with the Language Conventions and Writing tests on Tuesday 13 May followed by the Reading test on Wednesday 14 May and finishing with the Numeracy test on Thursday 15 May. Friday 16 May has been set aside as a catch up day for any children who may have been absent on any of these days.

Some of our students from Stage Three are participating in the Greg Alexander cup today and we wish them the best of luck in the competition. The Mother’s Day Stall was a huge success on Tuesday and we wish all the mums a happy Mother’s Day on Sunday.

As you may be aware unfortunately we have had some concerns with High School students entering our grounds, particularly on their early afternoons, interrupting our students learning and being in out of bounds areas. We have been working very closely with the Principal, Mrs Janet Harding and the High School staff to address this concern and for the remainder of this week all students who are collected from school by a High School sibling will be able to meet at the bottom gate with a teacher from both our school and the High School. This is an interim measure and currently we and the High School are working on identifying which students need to enter our grounds to pick up students. These students will now be provided with a pass from the High School. This pass will allow them to enter our grounds and pick up their family members. No pass means NO entry to our school so hopefully this will stop our students lessons and learning being interrupted.

The weather is starting to cool down so the students are moving into their winter uniforms. Please ensure they come in a blue jacket or jumper and blue school or track pants. The girls may choose to wear blue tights with their uniforms. There are still school shoes available with the purchase of our new school cap. The wearing of any other cap will be phased out over the year and all students will be required to have a school cap or hat for next year.

Mrs Sue Finn
Principal
Attendance Awards Term One

We started the new term with an assembly to acknowledge outstanding attendance during Term One. Certificates were presented to students with no more than two whole or two partial days or one whole day and one partial day absence over the eleven weeks. These students had their name put into a draw for an iPod Shuffle. Fineveli from 5H is the winner of the iPod congratulations Fineveli and enjoy listening to your iPod.

Throughout the term classroom attendance is monitored daily across all K-6 classes. The class that has the most days where all students in their class are at school receive a chip party. In Term One for weeks five to ten that class was 2T. Well done 2T and congratulations on your class' excellent attendance.

Stage 2 ‘Tinkering Incursion’

On Monday 7 April, Stage Two (Years 3 and 4) attended a ‘Tinkering’ incursion (an in-school excursion) to support our learning on topics taught in Science.

Students were involved in a rotation of 4 activities; ‘Making a Simple Circuit, Creation Station, Motors & Propellers and Magnets, Technology & Solar Power’. Students made their own creation from recycled materials, which included a working light and a simple circuit that they were able to take home.

It was fantastic day and much fun was had!
Walk Safely to School Day

Noumea Public School will be participating in the annual Walk Safely to School Day. It will be held throughout Australia on Friday 23 May 2014.

Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is an annual, national event when all Primary School children will be encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a Community Event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment.

The objectives of WSTSD are:
- To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school age children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour.
- To promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.
- To ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adult's hand when crossing the road.
- To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.
- To reduce the car dependency habits that are being created at an early age and which will be difficult to change as children become adults.
- To promote the use of Public Transport.
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles.
- To reduce the level of traffic congestion.

Friday 23 May 2014
walk.com.au
Easter Hat Parade
Easter Hat Games
Newsletter Draw

For your chance to win a family pass to Emerton Leisure centre simply answer correctly the following question:

“Who won the Term 1 attendance award?”

Answer: ________________________________

Name: ________________________________

The first correct answer drawn at last Whole School assembly of the term will win the family pass. Entries can be placed in the orange box in the Front office foyer. Bonne chance.