Noumea Public School
A caring, innovative and vibrant learning community

Noumea News
A newsletter for the community of Noumea Public School, built on Dharug land.

Week 2 Term 3 Thursday 24 July 2014

Welcome back to Term Three. Unfortunately the weather was not too kind to us and the first attempt at the sports carnival had to be postponed. Thankfully the weather was beautiful and we were able to hold the carnival yesterday. Congratulations to all of our runners who participated and made the day a great success and the parents who came along to support them. Miss Ford organised a wonderful day and a big thank you to her and all of her helpers for their support and flexibility.

It is wonderful to see our children wearing the school uniform but disappointing that so many of the new hats that the children are wearing are not school hats. Our school hat helps us to identify our students and completes the whole school uniform. These hats were designed by the students for the students and cost considerably less than some of the expensive hats that some of the students are wearing.

Could you please help to support the schools attempt to have our hats worn to complete the uniform as these will become a necessary part of our uniform next year.

The children have begun practicing for the Whole School Performance and I am extremely excited to see the performance for the first time. Parent teacher interviews are also fast approaching so make sure you select a time to speak to your child’s teacher about your children’s learning. If you require a longer interview contact the office to make an appointment.

Education Week is fast approaching and it is also jam packed with activities including book fair and open classes. The library will be the hub of these activities with lots of books to purchase. We hope you can join us throughout this week.

Mrs Sue Finn
Principal

Sports and Group Photo Day

Advancedlife Photography will be returning to Noumea Public School on Thursday 7 August to take our group and PSSA team photos. Once the photos have been processed they will be displayed at school for ordering.

Please ensure that your child is at school, in full school uniform, on the day of the photos. Some dance groups and PSSA teams will get changed into their costumes and sporting gear on the day, before their photos are taken.
Photos to be taken are:
- Year Six Group photo
- Captains and Prefects
- House Captains
- SRC
- Choir
- PSSA Volleyball/ Newcombe Ball/ Cricket/
- Rugby League/ Netball
- Multicultural Group
- Aboriginal Dance Groups (K-2 and 3-6)
- Gardening Group

Further information about the ordering of photos will be given once the photos are on display and ready for purchasing.

**Book Fair**
During Education Week (Week 3), starting Monday 28 July to Friday 1 August, a book fair will be held in the school library.

Central Book Suppliers will provide a variety of brand new books which children will be able to purchase. All money raised will go towards purchasing new books for our school library. Central Book Suppliers specialise in overstock books and as such, most titles will be priced between $2 to $10.

The library will be open each morning, recess and lunch time throughout the week so please support this fundraising initiative and come and check it out!

**Book Club**
Book club orders are due back by Wednesday 30th July. Please remember to put your order and money in and envelope, clearly marked with your full name and class, and return to the office.

**K-2 Athletics Carnival**
The K-2 Athletics Carnival will be held next Friday 1 August. All students in K-2 classes will participate in the carnival, including those Year 2 students who were able to participate in this week’s carnival due to their age.

The carnival will be held at school in the playground from 9:30am until 11:00am.

Parents and caregivers are invited to attend and cheer the children along.

Please ensure that your child brings a hat and an extra drink on the day.

**Meal Deal - July 28 to 8 August**

**Meal Deal 1**
- Egg and lettuce Sandwich
- Small Water and Zooper Dooper

**Meal Deal 2**
- Chicken Tender roll
- Juice Pop Top and Zooper Dooper

**Kindergarten Cake Stall**
The Kindy cake stall raised $220.00 to go towards their excursion. Well done Noumea.

**Fathers Day Stall**
Fathers Day Stall will be held on 3 September. Last day for payment will be Friday 29 August.

More information will be coming home.

Ms Marshall
Parent Teacher Interviews 2014

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

This term we will be holding Parent Teacher interviews on **Tuesday 5 August (Week 4)**.

The interviews will be held in the library between 3:10pm – 6 pm. The last interview will be held at 5:50pm.

We would like to encourage all parents/carers to come for interviews.

A note was sent home last week with the scheduled time slots for the interviews on Tuesday 5 August. If you cannot make the interviews on this date please contact your child’s teacher to arrange an alternative time. Please note that if your preferred time is not available, the teacher will endeavour to arrange a time as close as possible to your preferred time. Interview times will be allocated on a ‘first in, first serve’ basis.

Interviews will last for 10 minutes maximum. Teachers will be running to a very tight time schedule to be fair to all parents, so please be prompt or call if you are unable to attend.

Education Week 2014

On **Wednesday 30 July** we will be celebrating Public Education Week at Noumea Public School with a number of events.

All parents are invited to visit their children’s classrooms for Open Day at 12pm. We will also be holding an Art Show in the hall during this time. Following this we will be having a picnic lunch in the back playground. Parents and friends are invited to bring a picnic lunch and rug and enjoy lunch with their children.

A Book Fair will also run throughout the week in the library. We encourage all parents and students to visit the library, purchase a new book and support the library’s fundraising event.

Please see the timetable below for further details of the day:

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<td>Picnic lunch for students and parents in the playground (<em>please bring your own food and blanket/folding chairs</em>)</td>
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We are looking forward to seeing all parents, caregivers and friends at school on this day to help us celebrate Education Week.
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Individual Attendance Awards Term Two

We started the new term with an assembly to acknowledge outstanding attendance during Term Two. 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 nine weeks. These students had their name put into a draw for an iPod Shuffle. Angel Guvenbas from 5/6F was the winner of the iPod. Congratulations Angel and enjoy listening to your iPod.

Classroom Attendance Awards Term Two - Weeks Six to Nine

Classroom attendance is monitored daily across all K-6 classes at Noumea Public School. The classes that has the most days where all students in their class are at school or the greatest improvement in their attendance received a Hot Chip Party.

In Term Two for weeks one to five the class with excellent attendance was 4F. The class with the greatest improvement in attendance was 1D

Excellent Attendance 4F

Excellent Improvement in Attendance 1D

Well done 4F and 1D and congratulations. Keep up the great effort.

Miss Davies
Athletics Carnival

Yesterday after having to reschedule due to the weather, our school held its annual Athletics Carnival for students 8 years and over at Popendetta Park. Students participated in 100m, 200m and 800m track events as well as the usual field events long jump and high jump. Each house cheered on their house mates and participated in war cries. This year we had enough time to run relay events which included two teacher teams.

Well done to Miss Ford for a well organised carnival and to all the staff and students who helped out and participated on the day. Student behaviour was outstanding and fun was had by all.
NAIDOC Week 2014

On Thursday 19 June we held our NAIDOC Whole School Assembly to mark the start of our NAIDOC Week celebrations, our hall was beautifully decorated with Aboriginal artwork created by each class. At the assembly students presented what NAIDOC Week means to Aboriginal people and there were performances from students in the K-2 Aboriginal dance group and students in the 3-6 Aboriginal Boys and Girls Dance Groups.

During the last week of school in Term 2 (23 June to 27 June) we continued to celebrate NAIDOC (National Aboriginal Islander Day of Celebration) Week. All students learnt about Aboriginal culture by participating in various workshops and activities. Students learnt about Aboriginal dance, didge, artefacts, and Mimi Spirits through art and a Dreamtime story.

Students at Noumea also attended or participated in the Deadly Arts performance based on Uncle Wes Marne’s creation story, which was run and coordinated by Jessica Varela-Perez from the Song Room throughout Term 1 and Term 2. The performance was a huge success and all students who performed and students, staff, parents and community who attended the performance thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A big thank you to the Song Room for providing our school with the opportunity to be part of this unique and fully funded program and providing buses free of charge for students and staff to also attend.
Noumea Public School Free 0-5 years

Encouraging caregivers to develop community support networks and engage children in developmental play.

Play Learn Grow Together

Tuesdays 9:00am -11:00am
Weekly During school terms—Start week 2—Community Cottage
Please bring healthy morning tea

TRY BASEBALL
20TH, 27TH OF JULY, 3RD OF AUG 10AM TILL 2PM
ALROY PARK, PLUMPTON
TRY BASEBALL & REGISTRATIONS
FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE FREE
BASEBALL ST FIT BRAVEST
WWW.PLUMPTONBRAVES.COM
Newsletter Draw

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

“When is Education Week?”

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.