



NEWSLETTER

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March 13	Last day for Stewart House bags
March 13	Canteen AGM 1:45pm
March 16	K-6 Drumbeats performance
March 17	P&C AGM 7:45pm
March 17	Last day for Book Club orders
March 24	Last day to purchase P&C Trivia Night tickets
March 28	P&C Trivia Night
March 29	Grounds Force Day

1/2R won the student banking this week with 4 deposits out of the school's total of 43 deposits. The cup was awarded to 1/2R as the most improved class for the week. Congratulations! See if your class can win next week.

Principal's Awards will next be presented on 26th March (Week 9) Assembly.

Dear Parents and Students,

I would like to congratulate all our school representatives at yesterday's Beecroft Zone Swimming carnival. Those representatives include the students, parents and Mr McLaren and Mrs Barrett. I was very proud of everyone associated with our school. Not just in terms of results but mainly in the encouraging and supportive manner all displayed to all. I was fortunate to be stationed on a lane near our school and therefore was able to join in the cheering and applauding of all our swimmers. It was a great day.

Building the Education Revolution (BER)

Thank you to the P&C executive who gave up another night to join with our School Council to discuss our BER application. Information was sent out in last week's newsletter explaining about the money being given to primary schools all across the state. Following are the projects that were agreed upon and fall within the conditions of the BER:

- Three MDR (Modular Design Rooms) to replaced existing demountables and wooden building
- 1 MDR or Special Purpose Room: to be used for Creative and Practical Arts
- Power upgrade
- Toilet upgrade

I still have to meet further with our Asset Management Officer so some of the above may change slightly. I will be able to give an update at next week's P&C meeting.

Easter Holidays

A reminder that Monday 27th April is part of the end of term 1 holiday. Tuesday 28th April is our Staff Development / Pupil Free Day. **All students are expected back to class on Wednesday 29th April.**

B. Kunkler
Principal

HIGH SCHOOL EXPRESSION OF INTEREST APPLICATIONS FOR 2010

All parents of year 6 students should have received an information package about secondary school enrolments for next year. Included in the package is an application form. This form needs to be returned to your child's teacher by 27th March 2009. If you require assistance in responding to questions on the application form please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or Mr McLaren.

FROM THE P&C

Next week, as I'm sure everyone knows, we will be holding the P&C Annual General Meeting. Please do come along, we'll be hearing annual reports from all our sub-committees and electing the P&C executive committee for the year ahead.

After the AGM we will have a normal general meeting and will be voting on the proposal to earmark \$75 000 of P&C funds towards the provision of a Community Room for the school.

Don't forget to book your tickets for the trivia night!

Next P&C Meeting - AGM and general meeting - is on Tuesday March 17th, OOSH Rooms 7.45pm.

Miriam Mulcahy. (P&C President). 0412 364 366
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P&C TRIVIA NIGHT

Date: Saturday 28th March
Time: 7:30pm - 11:30pm
Cost: \$5 per ticket
Where: In the School Hall

BYO food and drink, alcohol is permitted (to be drunk in moderation of course!). Tea and coffee will be provided.

Payment by cash please, tickets will be sent home with your child.
Ticket sales close on Tuesday 24th March.

P&C Trivia Night Sat 28th March

Name: _____

No. of tickets: _____ Total cost (\$5 per ticket): _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

GROUNDS FORCE DAY

Grounds Force Day is a chance for the school community to help maintain our schools lovely grounds. Once per year your child's class will be asked to participate in a working bee held on a Sunday afternoon. The day kicks off around 2pm. Various jobs are performed including weeding, raking, sweeping, levelling mulch and planting trees. The afternoon is a fun time and a great way for families to contribute to the beautiful grounds our children enjoy at NWPS.

The first Grounds Force Day for 2009 will be held on Sunday 29th March. All year 5 & 6 students and families are asked to help make the school grounds clean and tidy. Please mark this date in your calendars and come along for an hour or two to help out.

Future Grounds Force Dates are:

31st May Years 3-4 (pre family fun day)

30th August Years K-2

15th November - All (pre Christmas markets)

Please mark these dates in your calendars now so that you will be available to help. The more helpers we have turn up on the day the less work for everyone!!

Belinda Pope & Helen Howse (Grounds Force)

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Issue 2 orders are due in at the office by Tuesday 17 March - please hand your orders in on time as we are unable to process late orders. Double check that you have enclosed the correct cash/cheque amount (payable to Scholastic Australia) or if paying by credit card, ensure that you have made your payment prior to handing your order in and that you have written the receipt number in the space provided - directions are on the order forms. If paying by credit card only one payment is required to cover your total order amount. Finally, please make sure your child's name and class is written on each order form.

We have already had a wonderful offer to help but would still love to welcome more new faces. Please contact Cathy on 9484 9045 if you would like more information.

Book Club Co-ordinators

CANTEEN THANKYOU'S

On Tuesday, Normo Nibble's volunteers supplied a yummy and healthy lunch to all the officials at the Zone Swimming Carnival.

Thank you to the following Mum's for their time and effort in getting sustenance to the officials on time and made fresh in the morning.

Janina Shinfield

Leslie Irvine

Kerrie Basclain

Wendy Allen

Karen Hoschke

Colleen Cowley

Deborah Evans-Scott

Sue Murdoch

Belinda Pope

Doing these outside catering jobs brings a profit into the canteen to make even more improvements so that Normo Nibbles can continue to provide healthy food to the students at Normanhurst West Public School.

Many thanks

Elizabeth Cook and Janina Shinfield

P&C CRAFT GROUP

Every Wednesday morning a small group of mums meet to make gifts for the Mother's Day, Father's Day and Christmas stalls. At the moment we are busy getting things organised for Mother's Day. So, if you are interested in joining us on a regular or casual basis, you would be made very welcome. Babies and toddlers are also welcome.

We meet in the General Assistants room on the side of the hall from 9.00am every Wednesday for a couple of hours. So drop in and see what we are making – the kettle will be on! If you have any questions please contact Sue Murdoch on 9484 5471 or Ann-maree Grech on 9945 0045.

FUNDRAISING

In this weeks newsletter there will be included order forms for **Hot Cross Buns** and the infamous **Nutrimetics Shower Gel Drive**.

Please fill in order forms, place in a CLEARLY marked envelope and leave for collection at the office or with your class teacher.

Both offers last until **Friday March 20th**. But don't leave it till the last minute. Get your orders in now to take advantage of these great offers and help raise funds for your school.

Hot cross buns will need to be collected from the canteen area on Friday April 3rd at afternoon bell. Nutrimetics will be sent home via the class room teacher.

Please note: The P&C will offer a variety of fundraising events throughout 2009 to cater for different family interests. While we appreciate the support families give to fundraising, it is not compulsory and each event is offered in the spirit of enhancing our children's learning environment.

THE GREEN GUIDE

A new initiative by the P&C. This directory will list businesses of school families, ex-families and small businesses in our immediate local area.

Several family and independent businesses have already taken the opportunity to **advertise in The Green Guide** which will be distributed in term two, to all families of Normanhurst West Public School.

Check the newsletter for more info, pick up a submission form from the office or email me and I will email you a form. The form can be filled out on your computer and emailed direct to myself.

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