



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

"I'd like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet today, the Gunai Kurnai land and pay my respects to elders past, present and emerging as well as any Aboriginal people here with us today"

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
6 Book Fair	7 Book Fair	8 Book Fair	9 Book Fair	10 Book Fair
Grade 2 PF Swimming note home				
13	14	15 Games Club P-2	16 Last day to pay for 2PF swimming Games club 3-6	17
20	21	22	23 School Photo Day Mother/ Grandmother Night 5.00-7.00pm	24 Friends of NEPS Meeting 1.15pm
27 School Council Meeting 5.00pm	28	29 MOVE A THON DAY 11.30am to 1.00pm	30	31 REPORT WRITING DAY No students required
3	4	5	6	7
10 Queens Birthday holiday	11	12 Sean Choolburra Indigenous Performance	13	14

are not exempt or withdrawn for the 14th, 15th and 16th of May), School photos (which is scheduled for the 23rd of May) and The Mother/Grandmother night which is also scheduled for the night of the 23rd of May.

In addition to this the NEPS gym has been selected as the federal election voting place for the Newborough area. In order to raise additional funds for school furniture and equipment for our students we will be holding a BBQ on this day in front of the gym. Whilst we have some staff members who have availed themselves to help out at this BBQ it would be greatly appreciated if we could have any available parents helping out on this day as well. If you are available to help out on the BBQ on Saturday the 18th of May from 7am onwards (even if it's for an hour) could you please contact Denise Siinmaa or Julie Skee during school hours to register your interest. A schedule will be made available of volunteer times ASAP.



A huge thanks needs to be extended to Barb Harvey and the team from Bunnings Morwell for their donation of a brand new BBQ. Thank-you also to Mrs Karen Prestidge for organizing this.

A word from Mrs Skee...

NEPS is a busy place at late with a number of activities currently occurring or scheduled to occur. This includes; The book fair (which is held in the library every day this week before and after school), The School Review (which is currently up to its second day scheduled for this Friday the 10th of May), NAPLAN assessments (which is scheduled for all students in grades 3 and 5 who

As well as staff and school led activities some of our students at NEPS have been busy initiating activities that they feel will support student engagement. Amongst these activities are;

May 15th of 16th (refer to School calendar) –
Games club coordinated by Kloe Sena and Jorja Meredith.



Tuesday the 7th May and Friday the 10th of May – Jelly bean competition coordinated by Charli Perkins and Jazi McCaw 10 cents a guess, Money raised will go towards a new plant for the school garden and a book for

the school library.

Student catch up



Today I had the privilege of catching up with Alana Milovanovic. Alana is currently in year 7 at Lowanna. Alana was the recipient of the grade 6 classroom award whilst she was in 5/6EA in 2018. Alana has been busy with her studies and cites English as her favourite subject.

Alana hopes to be an artist when she leaves school. Alana enjoyed her time in art class when she was at NEPS.

We wish Alana all the best with her future studies.

Student Initiatives



Indyanna Reid (3/4 KL), Kayla Pearless (3/4 KL) and Marah Xerri (3/4 LG) have started a special club. This club is to promote students having fun. One way that the students plan to do this is to run a loom band making group. Whilst the girls

have some loom bands they are looking for donations of more. If you can help them out could you please bring these donations to the school office.

SCHOOL REVIEW

As part of our school review, there is a parent session being conducted on this Friday morning (10th of May) from 9am – 10am. The session will be facilitated by our reviewer (Carolyn Woodhouse) and she will be joined by Ian Frost (Elizabeth St Principal) and Adam Hogan (Lowanna College Principal) who are our Challenge Partners for the review process.

The focus of the session will be to seek parent views on the following:

- Level of satisfaction with communication between home and school
- Knowledge and understanding of the learning program of the school
- Knowledge and understanding of how student learning is assessed and reported to parents
- Opportunities to discuss what is working well and whether there are any issues or concerns with the school

Any parents who would like to attend this session are welcome and encouraged to do so. If you could please send Mr. Walsh an email (walsh.nicholas.m@edumail.vic.gov.au) prior to 7pm Thursday 9th of May indicating your intention to attend, that would be much appreciated.

Nick Walsh
Acting Assistant Principal



Tanna Leicester to try out for State selection for soccer.

Tanna had to participate in a gruelling training regime before state selection coaches before being selected. Tanna is currently training with the state selection team and will

be eligible to try out for state selection in 2020. We wish Tanna all of the very best of luck.



Gardner's helping to prune and tidy up the garden beds.

WE NEED YOU....Are you a keen gardener? Do you like to work in the great outdoors? Do you have experience with pruning or hedging? Do you like getting your hands dirty? Do you like to paint? Are you handy at building or making things? If you or someone you know can answer YES to any or all of these questions **WE NEED YOU!!!!!!!!!!** In an effort to make our school grounds even more engaging and inviting we need people to help out in our gardens and grounds. No amount of time that you can volunteer is too big or too small. If you, grandparents, a family member or even a family friend can help out in any way please come and see me (Julie Skee) at school to discuss your availability.

First Friends of NEPS meeting : The First Friends of NEPS meeting is scheduled for **Friday the 24th of May @ 1.15 at the school** (tea, coffee and afternoon tea provided). The aim of this meeting is to bring together members of staff, parent body, community members and groups as well as local businesses in order discuss future projects that we would like to undertake at the school and action plan how as a group we can make these happen. If you would like any more information regarding this meeting please do not hesitate to contact me (Mrs Skee) at school during school hours on 0351261399.



Staff Awards:
Katie Xerri,
Andrew Newman

Below,
Deb Richardson
Emma Dawson



STUDENT AWARD WINNERS		
Prep JC Room 10	Oscar Murdoch	Being friendly and caring to another student
Prep DR Room11	Ebony Brown	Helping others in reading partners in the mornings
Grade 1 PD Room 5	Olivia Deveney	Being a responsible student by staying on task and completing your work to your best ability
Grade 1 JH Room 6	Kaydence Griffiths East	Always being a co-operative member of the grade
Grade 1 RJ Room 7	Ella Horton	Being co-operative when helping her classmates during learning times
Grade 2 JF Room 9	Taj Poxon	For helping others on your table and for always sharing your knowledge during class discussions
Grade 3/4 LG Room 1	Amahni Eastern	Taking responsibility for learning by asking questions
Grade 3/4 KL Room 2	Mackenzie Collis	Always being a co-operative member of the grade when working in a small group
Grade 3/4 JH	Dean Baldwin	For being friendly and always including others
Grade 5/6 EG	Chanel Akon	For being caring and considerate when offering to help around the classroom and offering to help your peers
Grade 5/6 MD	Jett Taylor	For showing inclusiveness And supporting others in the class
Grade 5/6 KB	Felicity Fink	Making a new student feel included.



Prep DR and 1JH have been working on their singing and performed 'Shotgun' at assembly with Mr. Newman.



House Winners: Green House, Indi and Bayley



Respectful Roo Winners : Payton Buhagiar Cruz Stellini ,Savanah Holdsworth (absent)



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At NEPS we pride ourselves on the support we offer to all our families. You will notice at the top of this newsletter we have included the Acknowledgement of Country which will remain in every newsletter from now on.

We have a growing number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families here at NEPS and are very proud to be able to acknowledge their culture. We are actively looking for opportunities for families to share experiences and knowledge about this wonderful country we live in. Please join us in celebrating the changes we are making to provide a culture of inclusiveness.

RAFFLE TICKETS SELLING NOW

We are excited that our

Mother/Grandmother/Special Person night is coming up on

Thursday 23rd May. Leading up to the night we have decided to pre sell raffle tickets for the amazing prizes Mrs Prestidge has worked so hard to get. Julie Marriott (Mr Fry's student) will be selling tickets on a Monday, Tuesday and Friday between 8.30am & 9.00am and between 3.00pm & 3.30pm in the foyer in front of the office for those who would like to get in early. Tickets will also be sold on the night. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5. Make sure you see Julie and the list of incredible prizes.

Welfare News

BREAKFAST CLUB - We are in urgent need of donations of the following items for our Breakfast Club: Spray and Wipe, Paper Towel, Juice, Margarine and Milo. Any donations are gratefully received and can be left at the Office.

WELFARE SUPPORT - Please remember that if you are experiencing family difficulties, the Welfare Team at NEPS are here to help and can offer support to both students and their family in the form of referrals and in-school programs. If you have any concerns, you would like to discuss, please make an appointment to speak with Paul Fry.

MANAGING EMOTIONS - In previous newsletters we discussed ways to help your child manage their emotions, particularly anger. Here are some more tips that you can teach your child to help them manage their anger.

1. **Squeeze** – This is when you squeeze a stress ball or hold on tightly to an object. You grip hard and then slowly let go, letting go the tension at the same time.
2. **Glass of Water** – This is when you take a slow drink of water to help you gain control of yourself, your mouth and what you will say. It gives you some time to think before you say something that could be hurtful
3. **Time Out** – This is when you find a safe or quiet place to be for a while so you can calm yourself down. This might be a bench in the playground or the corner of your bedroom

SAVE THE DATE

PHOTO DAY is coming THURSDAY 23rd May.

Photo Envelopes have been sent home with each student today together with the 2019 Photo Order Instructions sheet, please make sure that you keep then envelope and instruction sheet in a safe place.

We have a new company this year and pre ordering can be done online, if ordering online you do not need to return the envelope to the school on photo day.

Also please see the section for sibling photos please note the cut off day to request a sibling Photo is Wednesday 22nd May the day before photo day Thursday 23rd May.

If you have any questions please contact info@advancedlifevic.com.au or 03 9852 1133

Tomorrow is the last day of our book fair.



Parent please note: No EFTPOS available tomorrow Friday 10th (apologies for any inconvenience)

WHEN: Monday 6th to Friday 10th May

TIMES: 8.15 - 8.45 am & 3.15pm - 3.45pm

PLACE: Library

Every student that makes a purchase during the week will go into a lucky draw.

Move-a-thon

Our Move-a-thon will take place on Wednesday 29th of May, from 11.30-12.30pm.

The move-a-thon is a fundraising activity

Sponsorship form and

Money are due back TOMORROW Friday 10th

Please remember to return the **BLUE** form no later than Friday 17th May back to your child's classroom teacher.

Note: any student who doesn't return their blue form by the return date or forgets their equipment on the day will be allocated an activity within the school ground on the day.

MOTHER GRANDMOTHER NIGHT

Thursday May 23rd

To all NEPS Families, as a part of our Mother/Grandmother evening celebrations on May 23rd, we would like to invite families to submit a photo of Mum/Grandma with children to NEPS email address

newborough.east.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au to be included in a presentation. Digital presentations take time to prepare and this presentation will be created by students in our IT workshops, therefore **photos need to be submitted by Thursday 9th May** after this date the photos will not be included.

Thankyou
Kaila Engel

CANTEEN NEWS

Hot Milos are now available to order at lunchtimes on lunch order days \$1.00 per cup.



CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2

Friday 10 th May	AM Jude B PM Julie S
Thursday 16 th May	AM PM Peta S
Friday 17 th May	AM Julie S PM Sue W

HOOKIN2 HOCKEY

Hookin2Hockey is the introductory program for new participants, giving them a fun and safe environment to develop and learn the fundamentals of hockey.

CENTRE: Latrobe Valley Hockey Association

CONTACT NAME: Ash Vuillermim

CONTACT NUMBER: 0448 435 047

EMAIL: ash-18@live.com.au

LOCATION: Churchill Synthetic Field, McDonald Way, Churchill, 3842

START DATE: Saturday, April 27, 2019

TIME: 8:30am

WEB: www.hookin2hockey.com.au

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION To register visit hookin2hockey.com.au and enter 3842 to the finder. Then you can follow the prompts to join Latrobe Valley Hockey Association



For more information visit: WWW.HOOKIN2HOCKEY.COM.AU

