

# NEWSLETTER August 13<sup>th</sup> 2020 Volume 1 Issue 24 <u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY</u>

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"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
10	11	12	13	14
17 Last day to return 3/4 Camp refund form	18	19	20	Last day for book club orders
24	25	26	27	28

## **Book Club**

Issue Number 5 orders have arrived at school. I will have them ready for collection from the Library on Friday. If you cannot pick them up this week I will keep them for the next week or when school resumes.

Catalogues are ready for Issue 6 and here is the link.

https://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/

Orders will close on Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. You can order online or drop in an order with correct money on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### A word from Mrs Skee...

As we near the end of week two of flexible and remote learning I would like to acknowledge the ongoing support that staff have provided students both onsite and to those working remotely. I know that this is a challenging time for most, as we navigate a new way of doing things. For me personally I have celebrated my dad's 79<sup>th</sup> birthday as well as provided parent supervision for my daughter's year 12 History SAC both via Microsoft teams.

My silver lining in all these challenges is the manner in which staff and families step up to

support and provide positive feedback where necessary and deserved.

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, it is important for us at NEPS to have a balance between the focus on our student's academic and wellbeing needs. Many of our families are embracing the "wellbeing" day that has been planned by teachers each Friday, and in some cases parents who require on site supervision due to work purposes have negotiated their rosters in order to have their child at home. I thank-you all for your part in trying to keep our community safe and continue to encourage you to not only pass on your constructive feedback but also the feedback that acknowledges the positives that we are achieving.

In coming weeks I hope to also be able to share some exciting things that are being achieved at NEPS behind the scenes. **WATCH THIS**SPACE!!!!!!

## **CRAZY HAIR DAY**

Here are some pictures of Friday's crazy hair day.



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## **Grade 3/4 Camp refund.**

Just a reminder to parents that you need fill out the refund form and return it via email to <a href="Newborough.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au">Newborough.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au</a>
by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August so that refunds can then start to be processed.

Thankyou NEPS Admin

#### Remote Learning/Hard Copy Packs

Important information about remote learning and attendance for the next 6 weeks:

We will follow the same process as we had previously.

Distribution and submission of hard copy learning packs will be each Friday from the library at the following times:

Student Surname A – F: 10:00am - 10:30amStudent Surname G – L: 10:30am - 11:00amStudent Surname M – R: 11:30am - 12:00pmStudent Surname S – Z: 12:00pm - 12:30pm

If you are unable to attend at the allocated times,

please contact the office to arrange a suitable time.

Please note that packs for this week (5th August - 7th August) do not need to be submitted.

Please ensure you maintain 1.5m physical distancing and wear face masks at all times.

### Attendance

Students working remotely will be marked present on our attendance system. Students attending for on-site supervision will be marked on our rolls accordingly.

If a student has not accessed/collected/submitted any work over a one week period, and there has also been no contact with the family, they will be marked as absent (unexplained) for the week. The process will be as follows:

- Did the student/family collect a hard copy pack? Yes/No
- Did the student/family login to Compass this week? Yes/No
- Did the student/family submit any work? Yes/No
- 4. Has there been any communication from/to the family during the week? Yes/No

If there answer to all of these 4 questions is "No", your child will be marked as an unexplained absence. If your child is unwell and will not be completing any school work for the day, please notify the office on 51261399 to ensure that we record this accurately in our records.

If you require support from the school with remote learning, implementing routines at home, logging in to Compass or any other reasons, please contact us via phone, email or Compass and we will endeavour to support you in any way we can.

Nick Walsh

**Assistant Principal**