

NEWSLETTER March 25th 2021 Volume 1 Issue 8
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 Calendar dates				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
22	23	24 Last day to return Easter raffle tickets	25 Athletic Sports	26 Assembly Last day for Grade 6 Printing
29 Last day to pay for 3/4 EA Room 2 swimming	30 Easter Raffle drawn	31	1 st April Canteen Closed End Term 1 1.15pm dismissal	Good Friday
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Friday 2 nd April – Sunday 18 th April				
April 19 Term 2 begins. Note home for 3/4 KB swimming	20 Grade 3/4 EA Start swimming 8 sessions	21	22	23 Assembly

NO BUSES last day of Term 1: Please be advised that there will be no buses running on Thursday 1st April due to a student free day at Lowanna.

Breakfast Club Monday-Thursdays 8.00am-8.30am in the BER building.

NEPS Office Hours.

Parents and families please note the office hours are from 8.30am to 3.45pm daily.

A word from Mrs Skee...

Local community and business support.

This week we have been blown away by the level of local business and community support that we have received. This includes;
A donation of 20 x Large pizza vouchers from Newborough Pizza. Newborough Pizza are long time supporters of NEPS and are located at 42B

Monash Road Newborough (51277900). We would like to take this opportunity to thank Jim and Felicity Yeats the owners of Newborough Pizza, and ask that our NEPS community continues to support them.

A donation of \$1500 from the 1 in 5 op shop to go towards the Art therapy program and other whole school student art activities. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the wonderful volunteers of the 1 in 5 op shop who work tirelessly to provide a valuable resource for our local community. Please see the article written by Art Therapist, Darcie White, for more information on this.

1-in-5 Op Shop Donation

This week our Art Therapy Program was fortunate enough to receive an extremely generous donation from our local 1-in-5 Op Shop. The \$1500 sum will be used to purchase new art supplies, sensory materials & therapeutic resources for our students. 1-in-5 Op Shop hold the same fundamental beliefs as NEPS, recognising that; mental health does not discriminate and all students should have the opportunity to access support. We would like to thank the directors, Nina & Jenny, for putting forward this donation and taking the time to learn about our Art Therapy program. Additionally,



we'd like to acknowledge the tireless and dedicated work of the 1-in-5 volunteers who have made this donation possible. NEPS would like to

urge our families to reciprocate their generosity through donating any unwanted possessions or shopping for new ones. A donation tin will also be established onsite at 1-in-5 as a means of providing ongoing funds for our program. In what has been a challenging 12 months, the support from our families and wider NEPS community has highlighted the positive and inclusive culture we have built together. Forming partnerships, offering assistance & giving back to one another truly is a strength of our school & something we should all be proud of.

Out and About as mentioned in previous newsletters I love getting out in the yard and chatting to our students - especially when they share with me how they are promoting our school



rules and values. This week I had a conversation with Izzie Dunne and April Wyntjes who shared with me how they were enjoying making new friends as well as being respectful to others. Thankyou Izzie and April for your part in making

our school great! Mrs Skee.

Show Me Some Art Festival

This weekend, March 27th-28th, we have a number of year 5/6 students who have entered pieces in the Show Me Some Art Festival. Students created a piece of artwork using pencil, oil pastels, water colour or a combination of these based on the theme "What makes me happy?" Student's artwork can be viewed at the Moe Town Hall between 12-5pm.

Worlds Greatest Shave: NEPS student Malachi Newman is currently raising money for the The Worlds Greatest Shave which is a campaign aimed to raise money and awareness for Leukaemia. Malachi will have his hair cut by NEPS staff member (and qualified hairdresser) Katie Xerri on Friday April 23rd and his hair will be donated to an organisation that makes wigs for people who are

going through cancer treatment. If you would like to support Malachi and help raise money for this worthy cause go onto the worldsgreatestshave.com, click on donate to a



shaver and type in Malachi Newman. Thankyou.

National Day of Action Against Bullying

On Friday 19th March we participated in the national day of action against bullying. Students learnt about and discussed bullying and what they could do to "say no to bullying"



In 1/2HV they came up with 8 tips that students could use in response to bullying. They put these went on their chatterboxes. Then they used their chatterbox (complete with student voice tips) to

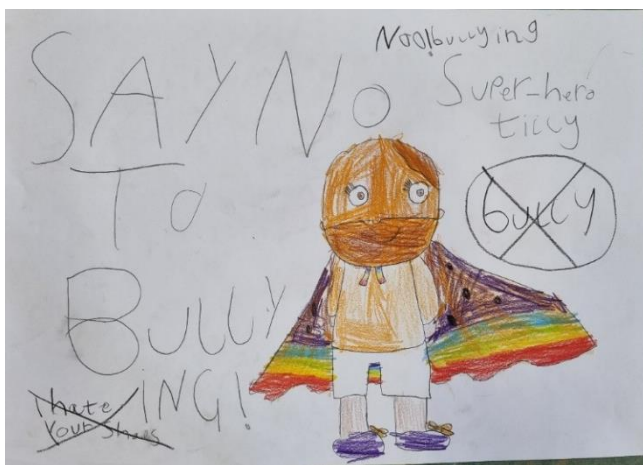
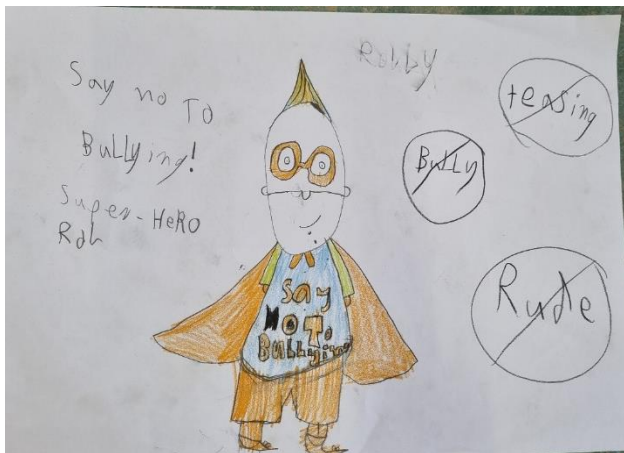


discuss a bullying scenario with a friend and then discuss if the tip from the chatterbox was appropriate for their scenario.



In PDR they read 'The Jungle Bully' and then drew pictures of an important part of the story. This is Ruby, Leo and Londyn sharing why what they drew was important.

In 1/2KS they created posters.



STUDENT AWARD WINNERS		
Grade Prep PF Room 5	Madison Harvey Archie Macdonald	For challenging yourself with making some complex patterns during our numeracy sessions. For taking responsibility of your learning by ignoring distractions. Keep up the amazing work!
Grade Prep JC Room 10	Joshua Edwards	Trying hard with all of his work
Grade Prep DR Room 11	Alylah Konias	Successful learning when making patterns in Maths ~ Well done! 😊
Grade 1/2 HV Room 6	Ashton Beasley	For showing respectful and responsible behaviour by following your teacher's instructions straight away. Well done Ashton!
Grade 1/2 RJ Room 7	Djai Brooks	For showing resilience when things weren't going his way when presented with a challenging task.
Grade 1/2 GR Room 9	Mia Miller	For always having a positive attitude towards her learning and her classmates.
Grade 3/4 JK Room 1	Tahlia Devlin	For showing perseverance in a very challenging swimming group
Grade 3/4 EA Room 2	Noah Mizzi	For respecting his own learning and being a respectful classmate.
Grade 3/4 KB Room 3	Emmanuelle Newman Micha Noy	Having a positive attitude and giving 100% on all tasks. You superstar!! For demonstrating resilience when things didn't go his way.
Grade 5/6 JH Room 13	Dontae Roberts	For showing determination when learning how to measure angles using a protractor!
Grade 5/6 TH Room 15	Madalyn Valasek	For taking responsibility of your learning by asking for help when you need it.
Grade 5/6 MD Room 16	Emily Shaw	Being helpful to the preps when they need help.



In 3/4EA anti bullying posters were also created.

SWIMMING Grade 3/4's

The next grade swimming is Grade 3/4 EA Room 2. Notes were sent home last week.

The Swimming and Water Safety Program for students in Room 2 will commence on **Tuesday 20th April (This is the first week of Term 2)** and will continue for 8 60 minute sessions.

The cost of the program is \$45.00, which includes all entry fees and other related costs, including the cost of an additional instructor.

The Swimming & Water Safety Program is not covered by the excursion surcharge.

Parents that have successfully claimed CSEF can use it to cover the cost of swimming.

No refunds will be given unless a child misses half of the sessions due to medical reasons and a medical certificate will need to be provided.

The last day for payments is Thursday 29th March.

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| 1. | Tuesday 20 th | April | 2.00pm – 2.45pm |
| 2. | Wednesday 21 st | April | 2.00pm – 2.45pm |
| 3. | Thursday 22 nd | April | 2.00pm – 2.45pm |
| 4. | Friday 23 rd | April | 2.00pm – 2.45pm |
| 5. | Tuesday 27 th | April | 2.00pm – 2.45pm |
| 6. | Wednesday 28 th | April | 2.00pm – 2.45pm |
| 7. | Thursday 29 th | April | 2.00pm – 2.45pm |
| 8. | Friday 30 th | April | 2.00pm – 2.45pm |

AWARD WINNERS



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