

NEWSLETTER 17th November 2023 Issue 27 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"

Dates to Remember				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
13 Nov World Kindness Day Multicoloured dressup	14 Nov	15 Nov	16 Nov	17 Nov Bookfair before & after school in library
20 Nov Bookfair before & after school in library	21 Nov Kinder Prep Transition Day 9.00-10-30am Bookfair before & after school in library	22 Nov Bookfair before & after school in library Last day for Donut day orders	23 Nov Bookfair before & after school in library Out of Uniform Day please donate towards Christmas raffle	24 Nov Bookfair before & after school in library
27 Nov	28 Nov Kinder Prep Transition Day 9.00-10.30am	29 Nov	30 Nov <mark>Donut Day</mark>	1 Dec
4 Dec	5 Dec	6 Dec	7 Dec Last day to return Raffle tickets Last day for canteen 2023	8 Dec
11 Dec JSC Disco in school hours	12 Dec Statewide Transition Day	13 Dec Christmas Hamper raffle Drawn	14 Dec Grade 6 Graduation	15 Dec Final Assembly 2023 Fairy Floss
18 Dec	19 Dec No Students Planning Day	Dec 20 End Term 4 1.15 dismissal		

A Word from Mrs Skee

This week I have had the great pleasure of spending a bit of time in classrooms. I have conducted fruit and story in Mr Dubois' grade 1/2, viewed a maths lesson in Mrs Frendo's prep classroom, participated in a whole class discussion in Mrs Burnett's grade 5/6 as well as spoke to all of the 5/6 students about whole school expectations.

During my visits I was impressed by the quality of the lesson planning and instruction that I saw in the prep classroom, as well as the routines that that teachers have worked tirelessly to establish in their classrooms. Students, although tired at this time of the year, continue to be referred back to these established routines and expectations in order to allow us to continue implement our learning programs.

There are also times when I am called to classrooms in order to support with student behaviours and even occasions when I have to send students home because of these behaviours – but in these instances I am impressed with how NEPS staff continue to keep

programs running, routines followed and the other students in their care catered for.

We really are incredibly fortunate to have the superior education team that we have at NEPS.

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A Word from Mrs Skee cont:

Last week Mr Nick Walsh, Mrs Paige Frendo and myself conducted the graduate teacher interviews. I am pleased to announce that the following staff were successful in obtaining ongoing teaching positions at NEPS;

Ms Eliza Jeffrey

Mr Alex Skinner

I know that you will join me in congratulating both Eliza and Alex.

We are still currently undertaking our recruitment process and have a full time 12-month contract teacher and an Office admin/daily coordination role advertised on recruitment online. We will also be putting up a 0.8 specialist teacher role up shortly. If you know of anyone who might be interested in these positions, please encourage them to make a time to speak to me by contacting the school on 0351261399.

As mentioned earlier in my article, I spoke to the grade 5/6 students about whole school expectations. This session tied in very closely with some of the themes we have also focussed on in assemblies such as; We build them up, we don't tear them down and positive acknowledgements. It also reflected the sentiments conveyed in our most recent artwork acquisition which has been created by our very own Darcie White. Whilst not completely finished, I have Darcie's permission to share this work to date (see photo below).



MOVING out of the AREA: If you are moving out of the area at the end of the year and transferring out of the school can you please contact the office and let them know.

TWO REMINDERS FROM MRS SKEE!

Can ALL families please ensure that if their child is arriving to school **BEFORE 8.30** that they head straight to **BREAKFAST CLUB**. There should be **NO** students out in the yard before this time.

ALL students who are riding their bikes/scooters to school need to walk these once they arrive at the school gate to the bike shed. These **SHOULD NOT** be ridden on the school crossing.

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2024 Parent Payment Arrangements

Parents/Guardians please be advised that 2024 Parent Payment Arrangements have been approved by School Council and posted on the schools website <u>https://neps.vic.edu.au/</u>

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. The school's voluntary financial contribution for 2024 is a total of **\$163.00** per student, please refer to 2024 Parent Payment Arrangements – All Year Levels, posted on the schools website and on Compass for how contributions will be spent. As an additional thank you to families for paying their voluntary contribution payment by **Friday 29th March 2024** we will be issuing all paying families with a **"raffle ticket**" that will put them in the draw for a fantastic prize. We appreciate your contribution and we would like to thank you for your ongoing support.

Remembrance Day 2023

Last Saturday our school was represented by Lani & Nathan 2 of our student leaders to lay a wreath on behalf of the school community at the Yallourn-Newborough Cenotaph. Our students did us extremely proud showing core values of respect and gratitude on this day of reflection, and remembrance.





End of Year activities

Please continue to monitor **ALL** school communication portals to keep up to date with end of the year activities. There will be a number of other end of the year activities that will be occurring.

These include:

- 17th 24th November Book Fair In the library before & after school.
- 23rd November Out of Uniform Day Please bring a donation for the Christmas Raffle
- Kinder Prep transition dates: Tuesday 21st November, Tuesday 28th November, and Tuesday 12th December.
- 30th November: Donut Day Thursday the 30th of November.
- Thursday 7th December Last Day for Canteen
- Monday 11th December NEPS Disco run by JSC
- 12th December Statewide Transition Day.
- 13th December Christmas Raffle drawn.
- 14th December Grade 6 Graduation.
- **15th December -** Final assembly for 2023 Farwell to our Grade 6 students.
- **19th December -** Student Free Day.

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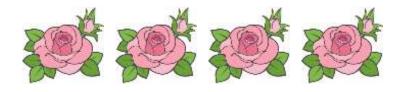


Junior Rose Graden Design Award

Ruby from grade 4 won her age group on the weekend in the Young Gardner's competition for designing a garden. The competition was held in conjunction with the Rose Garden Festival, and presented to Ruby on the day by Costa from the ABC

Ruby and her family would like to thank Mr Greys Garden for some of her inspirations to her drawing.

Ruby was honoured to win a copy of Costa book, and a gift voucher. Well done Ruby.





Ribbon Donations needed

1/2RB will happily accept any donations of **Christmas coloured ribbon**!

We are seeking the material kind, not the present wrapping kind. If you have any spares at home that you are able to donate, please send them along with your child to deliver to Room 7 or drop to the office.

Thanks so much from 1/2 RB





OUT OF UNIFORM DAY donate towards Christmas raffle is coming.

Thursday 23rd November

We will be holding an Out of Uniform Day. Students need to bring something to donate towards the Christmas raffle and if they do they can come to school with out of school uniform.

There will be plenty of prizes to win.

Books were sent home recently. Books of 10 tickets \$10.00 and spare books are available from the office.

Bring along something to donate towards the raffle, remember it can be grocery items, Christmas items etc, please remember items must be **NEW and in original packaging** please.

NO out of Date food items.

Please check the labels, no use by dates before 31st December 2023.

Tickets to be returned by Friday 7th December, raffle drawn on Wednesday 13th December.

Yellow House Wins Well done Yellow

Recognition for positive behaviours from peers







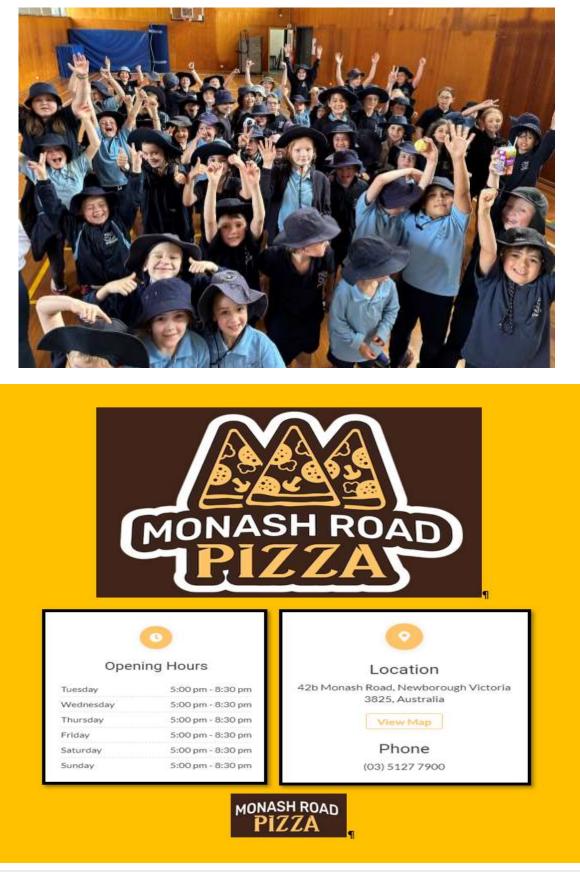
Students of the week congratulations



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Some of the participants for hide and seek chasey being held at break times. There were so many students participate that we ran out of sashes. Congratulations to Koby L who was Wednesdays round 2 winner



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