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Newsletter

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	29	30 th	31 st No Preps Required This week only	1 st Feb
4 Breakfast Club 8.-8.30am Swimming notes to be returned	5 Breakfast Club 8.-8.30am	6 No Preps required Swimming Trials Grade 3-6	7 Lunch orders start	8 Assembly 2.45pm
11 NO BREAKFAST CLUB today Swimming Sports Moe Outdoor Pool	12	13 No Preps required	14	15
18 Staff PD day No students required	19 Life Ed	20 Life Ed No Preps required	21 Life Ed	22 Life Ed

Welcome to new Preps and new families

It was a very exciting morning as we welcomed our new Preps and students to NEPS today. With our two straight Prep grades, the corridor was very busy with excited students and proud parents.

This morning the Prep rooms were very settled with many smiling faces.

We would also like to welcome all of our new students and their families to NEPS - we trust that you will be made to feel welcomed from our wonderfully supportive NEPS learning community.

Staffing Update

I would like to welcome the new staff to NEPS: Miss Emily Gibson in 5/6, Mrs Kylie-Jane Larmour in grade 3/4 and Mrs Sheryn Disisto & Matthew Pavey Grade 1
 Please introduce yourselves when you see the new staff around the school.

STEM

This year we are introducing our new specialist subject STEM to all students in prep-6. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. Mrs Karen Salienko will be working with the students in grades prep and grade 3/4 and Mrs Fiona Dunne will be working with the students in grades 1, 2 and 5/6. Keep an eye out for future newsletters for more information regarding this subject.

Our Music and ICT workshops will also continue this year with Mr Andrew Newman taking music and Mrs Kaila Engel working with the students each term in ICT.

NEWSLETTER

The normal day of newsletter distribution is THURSDAYS. There will be no assembly in the first week, with the first assembly being on Friday the 8th of February 2.30 to 3pm.

Assembly Friday 8th February 2.30pm

At next Friday's assembly, we will present the leadership badges to the 2019 NEPS School and House Captains. We will have former NEPS student leaders from 2013 making the presentations along with our School Council President Jude Bergmann. This will be a great celebration of the school's new leaders so please come along to the assembly and feel free to bring family and friends. Our student leaders for 2019 are:

School Captains:

Ayla Gbric & Jordan Shields

Vice School Captains - Bree Balmain & Mac Brosnan

Red House Captains – Katrena Slatter & Brodie Nash Byrne

Blue House Captains – Imani Shiels & Lachlan Delaney

Yellow House Captains – Ella DeVent & Max Edebohls

Green House Captains – Indiana Bechaz & Bayley Russell

Welcome back
Mrs Julie Skee
Acting Principal



Swimming Sports

Next Wednesday 6th February we will have our swimming trials for our **grade 3-6** at the Moe outdoor pool from 11-1.00pm

Monday 11th February the whole

school will go over to the Moe outdoor pool for our swimming sports. Leaving and returning from school by bus and

Parents: **please make sure that you return the selected BLUE swimming permission and medical forms to your child's/children's classroom teacher by Monday 4th February.**

Permission notes have been sent home today.

CANTEEN

The Canteen will be open **Tuesday 12th** for over the counter sales of icypoles and snacks.

Lunch order will start from next **Thursday 7th and Friday 9th.**

Parents please note: Lunch Order days are Thursday and Fridays only, and no more than \$5.00 can be brought to school.

Students are also advised they cannot buy for friends.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will start up again next **Monday 4th February at 8am.** A reminder to parents that for safety reasons students should not arrive any earlier than 8am. We do ask that students who are participating in breakfast club arrive no later than 8.20am to ensure they have time to eat before the bell goes.

DONATIONS – Last year we ran breakfast club very successfully with generous donations of items from families. This year we would appreciate any donations of Margarine, Apple Juice, Milo, Paper Towel, Large cleaning

Sponges, Cheese Slices and Latex Free size large Food Handling Gloves as we seem to go through these very quickly. We are often unable to run these programs without the generosity and support of our families so any donations are greatly appreciated.

UNIFORM SHOP

NEPS LOGO PRINT

We will be organising a NEPS Logo Print this term.

Any parent/guardian wanting to have the school logo on their child's polo shirts (no pockets) or windcheaters (NO HOODS) please leave clean, named garments at the uniform shop or office along with \$5.00 per garment before 9am on Wednesday the 6th of February. This service is only done once a year to keep costs at a minimal.

Please support this service as a minimum is required to go ahead.

GRADE 6 PRINTING

The grade six printing on the back of students polos will be done later in the term, please lookout for a note later this term.

GRADE 6 JACKETS

Any grade six student still wanting to order the grade six jacket can do so at the uniform shop any time during the year. Forms and sizing is available at the uniform shop.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

After this week, the uniform shop will be open only on a Monday morning from 8.30am to 9.00am or by appointment made at the office. Uniform order forms are available at the office and can be dropped in the drop box to be put together and sent home with your child asap.

LOST PROPERTY

Lost property is situated outside the uniform shop. Each term we have a huge number of unnamed garments that cannot find their owner. These are taken to charity each term. To save the disappointment of losing garments please NAME all clothing, clearly, so these can be returned to you.

Pink/ Blue NOTICES

A reminder that any note on **PINK** paper that comes home from school will require a payment with it (this will include things such as camp deposits, swimming (P-4) or end of year excursion).

These are not covered by the excursion surcharge they need to be signed and returned with money to the school office.

All notes that need to be returned to the classroom teacher regarding swimming, parent help, permission forms etc will be **BLUE**, so please make sure that you read these notes and return them as soon as possible.

RECORDS AT THE OFFICE

Parents are requested to sign the EARLY PICK UP book at the office whenever students leave the school before 3.15pm. You will then receive a pink slip to give to the classroom teacher.

LATE COMERS

Children who are late to school need to go straight to their classroom, teachers will mark the roll accordingly.

VISITORS BOOK

All visitors to the school and parents coming to school during the day must report to the office and fill in the visitors book.

NEWSLETTER

Each Thursday our school newsletter is produced and is available on the school website. www.neps.vic.edu.au and you can also like us on facebook.

All prep grades receive a hard copy of the newsletter weekly.

A limited number of hard copies are available on the stand at the office.

NOTES AND FORMS

Extra forms and notes are available from the stand near the office, if you have misplaced them or need a new one.

CAR PARKING DROP OFF POINTS

Student safety is our number one priority at school, please ensure that you

- Obey the 40km speed limit around the school.
- Be wary of students running out onto the roads as young children can be unpredictable.
- Follow the instructions given by our lollipop people at the school crossings and traffic lights.
- As parents be good role models for crossing roads safely.
- Don't leave children unattended in the cars.

Preferred Parking:

- Parallel parking on Old Sale Rd (school side)
- Leisure Centre car park.

Drop Off :

- Old Sale Rd opposite school.
- One spot on school side near bus stop.

Please note – if parking in Southwell Avenue, strict parking policies apply. Bylaws officers regularly check that correct parking is adhered to.

If there is a yellow line painted on the kerb, this means no standing or dropping off.

NO PARKING in Staff Car Park. For student safety reasons **this IS NOT a drop off area for students.**

Some photos of our Preps starting their first day.

