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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
16 Musical Rehearsal Everyone until 4.15pm	17 Western Valley Athletics	18 Musical Rehearsal ALL Principals NEW TIME 2.15-4.15pm	19	20
23 Musical Rehearsal Everyone until 4.15pm	24	25 Musical Rehearsal ALL Principals NEW TIME 2.15-4.15pm	26 Book Week	27 Last day for Book club orders
30 Musical Rehearsal Everyone until 4.15pm Grade 3/4 Camp	31 Grade 3/4 Camp	1st September Musical Rehearsal ALL Principals NEW TIME 2.15-4.15pm Grade 3/4 Camp	2	3
6 Musical Rehearsal Everyone until 4.15pm	7	8 Musical Rehearsal ALL Principals NEW TIME 2.15-4.15pm	9	10
13 Musical Rehearsal Everyone until 4.15pm	14	15 Musical Rehearsal ALL Principals NEW TIME 2.15-4.15pm	16	17 End Term 3 1.15pm finish No buses

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

A word from Mrs Skee...

With the recent extension to Melbourne's lockdown, I know there are a lot of people (myself included) who have been effected by this. Now, more than ever, it is so important to show empathy, kindness and compassion and support others where we can. I have always been so proud of our NEPS community and how we continue to rise to each challenge we face. It is also important to reach out when you need to. At NEPS we are extremely lucky to have an extremely supportive Wellbeing team. If you need our support please do not hesitate to contact us at school during school hours on 51261399 or send me an email at Julie.skee@education.vic.gov.au

Wellbeing fundraiser!

NEPS students; Indy Reid, Caylei Hams and Brodie Bartley are helping to coordinate a milk bottle challenge. This challenge requires each grade to collect as many 10c pieces that they can in a milk bottle(s) that will be housed in their grade. This competition will run from now until the last week of term 3, with the grade who raises the highest amount at the end of the competition winning a gift for their grade. All money raised will go towards student wellbeing supports, resources and programs.

Staying positive...



In an effort to continue to promote the positive and have a little bit of fun I spent some time in our classrooms and in the yard to capture the joy that is our amazing students and staff!

Prep visit:



Paying it forward locally!

Gregory's Sports & Musical Equipment

Last Friday Mr Mike Pullar, Mr Andrew Newman and myself took a visit to Gregory's Sports & musical Equipment store. Located at 2 Rutherglen Road Newborough, business owner (for the past 35 years) Mr Brian Gregory and his knowledgeable assistant Edelle provided us with outstanding customer service as we shopped up a storm for equipment for our PE and Music programs.

If you're looking for an affordable music store in the Latrobe Valley that carries an extensive range of instruments, equipment and accessories, you'll find it at Gregory's Sports & Musical Equipment. The store also provides all types of sporting, active play and recreational equipment as well as team wear.

Gregory's Sports



Fairy Tree house.



Mr Pace and Mr Morris have been extremely busy working with our 'fairy friends' to create a wonderful home for all of our mythical creatures. Our students are all encouraged to look up when they are out in the yard to see what wonderful additions have been made!



Science Awards



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Jensen Reid, Jai Cann, Jamison Frendo



Award Winners



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STUDENT AWARD WINNERS		
Grade Prep PF Room 5	Brody Lodge	For having a fantastic week with your learning. I'm so proud of you.
Grade Prep JC Room 10	Ava Balhas Kane Riseley Elina Rodwell	Participating in reading and doing a fantastic job. For being a cooperative class mate and sharing equipment Being a good helper.
Grade Prep DR Room	Lahni Horton	Super sounding out with Chunky Monkey strategies
Grade 1/2 HV Room 6	Ayla Batchelor	Being a caring and considerate when offering to help around the classroom
Grade 1/2 RJ Room 7	Jaxson Higginbottom	Showing he is a cooperative classmate by working well with anyone when asked
Grade 1/2 KS Room 8	Tilly Dawn Frendo	Having such a positive attitude towards your learning what a star!
Grade 3/4 JK Room 1	Koby Lodge Jaxen Mercica Thomas	For challenging himself in Maths and avoiding distractions. For helping others in maths to achieve their best.
Grade 3/4 KB Room 3	Thalia Rogers	For always being a kind and compassionate classmate.
Grade 3/4 EA Room 2	Amelia Maselli	For being organised every day, ready to learn and start the day
Grade 5/6 EG Room 12	Elissa Mayes	Always being kind and considerate and looking out for others
Grade 5/6 JH Room 13	Lexi Heels	Staying on task and completing work to the best of your ability
Grade 5/6 TH Room 15	Emma Fraser	For being friendly and always including others

Book week – (August 21st -27th).

Thursday the 26th of August: The book week dress up day and parade is another of the many highlights at NEPS.

The theme for Book Week is

“Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds”

ALL students and staff are encouraged to dress up on the day (either in something associated with the theme or as their favourite book character) we will have a parade in the gym at 9am on the morning of 26th August.

Student School Leaders will be involved in judging the best costume there will also be a lucky dip for the students that came dressed up.

We will also have prizes from local businesses and book club.

There will be prizes, giveaways and heaps of fun activities running throughout the week for students to share in.

COVID RESTRICTION UPDATE

As part of planned changes to keep our schools safe and reduce the impact of any future outbreaks, schools will be required to implement COVID-safe behaviours. These include the following strategies to promote physical distancing, minimise mixing between groups and limit access to school grounds to only those providing essential services:

The School Breakfast Clubs program

(SBCP) is an essential service that can be delivered on-site.

Student attendance:

Students should attend on-site on per normal.

Where a student becomes unwell:

Students who are required to isolate or undertake home-based quarantine will be provided materials to continue their learning remotely, until such time that they are permitted to return to school.

Parents, please note

- Non-essential visitors should not be allowed into school grounds.

- Drop offs and pick-ups will need to occur at external gates.
- We will keep parents and carers notified as to when this restriction changes.
- All school gatherings such as assemblies and school events should be deferred or held remotely
- Interschool activities are not permitted at this time.

School tours:

These should not be conducted on-site for prospective students and their families at this time.

School Camps:

Outdoor education programs and overnight stays can take place across Victoria with no travel restrictions. Bookings must be limited to single schools. Multiple schools can attend camps providing school groups remain separated and do not share common facilities at the same time. Mixing of staff and students between different schools is not permitted.

Kinder to prep and Year 6 to Year 7 transition programs are not permitted at this time