



**NEWSLETTER December 9<sup>th</sup> 2021 Volume 1 Issue 37**  
**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
6	7 Kinder Prep Transition 9.00am- 10.30am  STATE Wide Transition Day Year 6-7 Reports sent home Home	8  <b>Donut Day</b>	9	10  Grade 6 Graduation Departing NEPS at 10.45am
13  Grade 5/6 Gumbya World Excursion  Grade Prep Excursion  Grade 1/2 Excursion	14  Grade 3/4 Excursion Morwell Cinema  <b>Final Assembly for 2021 2.45-3.15</b>	15  Last day for Breakfast Club for 2021	16  2022 Planning Day No students	17  End Term 4 No formal classes 1.15pm dismissal No buses on this day
<b>Happy Holidays</b> <b>Term 1 commences Monday 31<sup>st</sup></b> <b>January 2022</b>				

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

**A word from Mrs Skee....**

On Tuesday, all of our students returning to NEPS got to meet their 2022 teacher and class mates. This was a very exciting afternoon, where we also got to formally welcome our newest teachers to NEPS.



**Ms Reville**



**Mrs Johnson**

**Our 2022 classroom teachers are;**

Prep PF – Mrs Paige Frendo **Room 10**

Prep DR – Ms Deb Richardson & Ms Laura Maiolo (Tuesdays) **Room 11**

1/2 FM – Ms Jessie Foster (Mon-Wed) & Ms Laura Maiolo (Thurs, Fri) **Room 5**

1/2 JS – Mrs Samantha Johnson (Term 1 & 2) and Ms Kalinda Smith (Term 3 & 4) **Room 6**

1/2 RB – Mrs Lisa Robinson (Mon-Wed) and Mrs Jenni Blackshaw (Thurs, Fr) **Room 7**

1/2 MR – Ms Mel Reed **Room 8**

1/2 DD – Mr Matthew Dubois (Mon, Tues and Fri) and Mrs Sheryn Disisto (Wed & Thurs) **Room 9**

3/4 JK – Mr James Kuchel **Room 1**

3/4 EA – Mrs Elizabeth Acreman (Mon, Tues, Wed) and Mrs Kaila Engel (Thurs – Fri) **Room 2**

3/4 HV – Mrs Jo Harding (Mon-Wed) and Mrs Melinda Van Baalen (Thurs-Fri) **Room 3**

3/4 KR – Ms Kellie Reville **Room 4**

5/6 EG – Miss Emily Gibson                    **Room 12**  
5/6 KB – Mrs Kristy Burnett                    **Room 13**  
5/6 TH – Mr Tom Holt –                        **Room 15**  
5/6 LG – Mrs Lara Gibbons –                **Room 16**

**Our specialist teachers for 2022 are;**

**Art :** Ms Kathy Mewett

**PE :** Mr Mike Pullar

**STEM :** P-2 Mrs Karen Salienko  
          3-6 Mrs Fiona Dunne

**Music :** Mr Andrew Newman

**Our Tutoring intervention team are;**

Mrs Lyn Jones (1/2 Reading)

Mrs Jo Harding (3/4 Reading)

Mrs Fiona Dunne (5/6 Reading)

**STA (Speech Therapy Assistance Program)**

Fiona Baldwin

Katie Xerri

**Numeracy Intervention**

Mrs Elizabeth Acreman (Numeracy)

**Our extension team are;**

Ms Debbie Richardson (Reading)

Mr Matthew Dubois (Numeracy)

**Administration Team**

**Business Manager** - Mrs Tracey Hogan (Mon-Thur)

**Compliance officer/Finance support** – Mrs Kim Puddy (Mon, Tues and Fri)

**Administration coordinator** : Mrs Denise Siinmaa (Mon-Thurs)

**Administration support** : Mrs Julie Hall (Mon-Fri)

**ES Integration**

Bianca Poxon (prep)

Leigh Hunter (prep)

Alex Skinner (prep)

Helen Mace (prep)

Kayla Leicester (1/2)

Nicole Boothman (1/2)

Kate McDonald (1/2)

Nicole Goodwin (3/4)

Jenni Boyes (3/4)

Liesl van Dyk (3/4)

Lisa Shields (3/4)

Karen Staley (5/6)

Paul Douglas (3/4)

Jenny Jacobs (3/4)

**Grounds and maintenance**

Bill Pace

Colin Morris

Steve Gray (volunteer – Steve Gray Kitchen garden program)

**Cleaning**

Mick Elswyk

Tam Beveridge

**Wellbeing team**

Darcie white (Art Therapy)

Karen Prestidge (Wellbeing coordinator)

Allison Lloyd (School Nurse)

**Principal Team**

Julie Skee

Nick Walsh

**Farewells**

**It is this time of the year that we also farewell staff members who are going onto other positions or roles. These staff members have been truly valued members of our NEPS learning community and they will be very sadly missed, but we wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.**

Emma Dawson : Taking up full time employment in 2022 in the Real Estate field.

Sonia Mancarella : Going on family leave.

Prue Cruickshank : Taking up full time employment as a classroom teacher at Baringa

Janine Cruickshank : Taking long service leave and then retiring after an extremely rewarding career in teaching.

Jess Hurley : Taking up full time employment in 2022 at Stockdale road Primary School.

On Tuesday parents and carers received information regarding our parent payment process on COMPASS. Whilst these payments are now called voluntary payments, these payments are extremely important as they make a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer. These financial contributions assist us with the purchasing of art, music, technology, STEM, library, classroom cooking and student wellbeing equipment and resources. All of these programs run alongside the traditional classroom teaching and learning programs which allow us to provide an inclusive, engaging and rigorous overall education for your child(ren).

As an additional thank-you to families for paying their voluntary contributions payments by Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> of January 2022 through our main payment portal COMPASS, we will be issuing all paying families with a 'raffle ticket' that will put them in the draw for a fantastic prize. **Payments will open from the 2nd of January 2022.**

### **DATES To remember:**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Grade 6 Graduation**  
See information

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December-** last Canteen day for 2021.

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - Grade 5/6 Gumbuya World excursion.

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - Grade Prep excursion to Botanical Gardens Moe.

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December-** Grade 1/2 Excursion

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December –** Grade 3/4 Excursion

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December-** 2.45- 3.15pm. Final assembly for the year. This will include farewell to 2021 Grade 6 students and the 2022 student leaders badge presentation.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December-** Last day for Breakfast club 2021

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December- 2022 Planning Day, No students required.**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December –** End Term 4 for 2021, 1.15pm dismissal Out of uniform **NO formal classes today. NO BUSES**

Please mark these days on your calendar.

Thankyou.

## **Grade 6 Graduation**

**Final details are as follows:**

**Date:** Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of December

**Time:** 11:15am – 1:15pm

**Venue:** Eternity Church 69 Princes Drive, Morwell 3840

**Parking:** Parking is limited at the venue so we ask that families utilise street parking along Princes Drive.

**Dress Code:** Smart Casual/Semi Formal (students are most welcome to come to school dressed in their graduation attire)

**Transport:** Students will travel at no cost by bus to and from the venue. The bus will leave NEPS at 10:45am. Whilst students are most welcome to arrive at school at the normal time, if they require additional time to prepare, then they must be at school no later than 10:30am.

**Catering:** Lunch will be provided at no cost to students following the official ceremony at Eternity Church Hall.

**Guests:** Each student will be able to invite 2 guests.

**Each guest is required to be double vaccinated and will need to check-in via the Churches QR Code and show proof of vaccination status at the door upon arrival at Graduation.** Whilst we understand that there will be families who would like additional tickets, due to the size of the venue we need to cap these numbers. We thank you in advance for your understanding

**Streaming/Recording of Event:** To ensure families have as many opportunities as possible to be involved in this event, we will be live streaming the official ceremony. Details of how to access this live stream will be provided to families leading up to Graduation. There will also be a recording of the event available after the date. Should families wish to access the recording, they can provide a USB and we will save the file for you.

## PIZZA MAKING DAY



The Year 3/4s finished off their fractions unit of work by enjoying a pizza making day, thanks to Jerome and Lynn from Experience bus lines. During remote learning students had made 'paper fraction pizzas' and now had the chance to make their own for real. Jerome, a trained chef, talked about the maths involved in cooking and demonstrated its use in measuring the ingredients to make pizza dough. The students then used previously prepared pizza bases to create their own. A HUGE THANKYOU to Rick from Opal Pizza in Moe who donated the pizza bases and ingredients so that 110 students and staff could participate. Thank you also to Mrs Skee for helping to organize the day.



### Moe Junior Tennis Tournament

Friday 14th January



### School Holiday Tennis Clinics

Clinics are a great introduction to tennis. Lots of tennis for beginners to intermediates.

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January  
 Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January  
 Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January  
 Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January  
 1pm to 2:30pm \$25 per day

Contact: Jamie 0499 257 569  
 Email: [gippslandtenniscoaching@outlook.com.au](mailto:gippslandtenniscoaching@outlook.com.au)



Hot shot groups, private lessons, squads and cardio tennis. Improve your tennis and start your pathway to becoming a better player and achieve your goals.

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 Mark Stevens 0417 140 763  
 Jamie Dunn 0449 257 569

BOTANIC DRIVE, NEWBOROUGH



Great way to start playing with modified equipment



A fun and social way to work out

Saturday 18 December  
2pm - 6pm

## Christmas Extravaganza Family Fun Day at the TAV



- Cats in the Kitchen playing Christmas Classics and Rock songs from 2.30pm - 6.30pm**
- Mickey, Minnie and Spiderman 3pm**
- Santa and Elf 4pm**
- Chase from Paw Patrol, Ninja Turtle and Captain America 5pm**

Ballooning, face painting and giveaways for kids.  
 Plenty of fun for parents too!  
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