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## School Newsletter



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Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Friday 21st September	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October
Book Fair open at 9.00am	Snack Canteen  • Dance2bFit	• Term 4 Commences for staff and students	School Banking Day	Uniform Shop open at morning drop off
Book Week Parade 10:30am		<ul><li>Library Day</li><li>No Assembly</li></ul>		

Our first official Kindergarten Orientation was a timely reminder that 2019 is approaching very quickly! The weather was perfect for a first visit for many of our new students starting school in 2019. The stay and play session was a lovely introduction to the kindergarten environment and a chance for some parents to catch up or meet new people. These transitions are not only very important for children, but for parents too. Starting school can be a very big event for all members of the family. It was also lovely to have some younger siblings joining in the fun.

While I am on the topic of transitions, Mrs Dowman received some very positive feedback during the week from several parents of children who have successfully transitioned to Year 3 this year. You may be aware that NAPLAN results were sent home to parents this week and some parents were kind enough to let us know that they were very proud of their Year 3 children's results, and thanked the New Lambton Heights teachers for such a wonderful start to their child's schooling. It is always very encouraging to hear from previous students and their families. We are working hard to ensure that children transition successfully into Year 3 – socially, emotionally and academically – and are looking forward to working with our partner primary schools in Term 4.

I hope you all have a fantastic break. Stay safe and spend some time together as a family.

Lisa Hughes (Principal)



At New Lambton Heights Infants School we acknowledge that we teach, learn and play together on the traditional country of the Awabakal people, who are the custodians of this land. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

# PARTNERS IN LEARNING PARENT SURVEY LAST CHANCE. SURVEY CLOSES ON FRIDAY!!!

We have improved from last week – from 31 to 36 responses. Can we make it to 40? **YES WE CAN!!** 

Please don't forget to log in and complete the Partners in Learning Parent Survey. Your input is greatly valued.

https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/nlhis

The information will be very helpful in planning our 2019 school plan.

Remember this is anonymous and takes about 10–15 minutes to complete. If you would like to use a computer at school, 1/2LH room is open on Monday, Tuesday and Friday morning to complete the survey.

The survey will close at the end of the term.

#### WHOLE SCHOOL SWIMMING

Please don't forget to complete and return swimming notes. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school. If you would like to pay off in instalments or need assistance with paying, please see Mrs Hughes or Mrs Whetham.

#### **BOOK PARADE and BOOK FAIR**

Our Book Parade will be on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September – that's tomorrow! We will also be holding a Book Fair on this day **from 9am–11:30am.** Please note change of time to accommodate parents who may not be able to attend the parade. Books are available for purchase to be donated to the library. A sticker will be placed into the book to recognise the donation and your child will have the opportunity to be the first to borrow the donated book.

Teachers are happy for you to take your child from class for a short period to choose a book.

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# KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION STAY AND PLAY SESSION

Look at these beautiful photos from Friday's session.

Don't forget that 2019 Kinders are welcome to join in the fun at tomorrow's Book Parade.

Our next official session will be on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October.











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#### **SWAP IT!**

It was an exciting morning last Thursday when KL helped with the media launch of the SWAP-It! Program. We didn't get to be TV stars, but we did feature in The Newcastle Herald last Friday and we are on the front page of the DoE website - the whole world can see that one! Thank you to KL for your beautiful manners and great answers - our visitors were wowed when one of our kids talked about swapping cupcakes for hummus!

Thanks also to Val gent for speaking to The Newcastle Herald and to our visitors on behalf of the NLHIS parent community. This is a fantastic initiative and I hope it has helped busy parents with packing lunch boxes. No school lunches for two weeks now ... yes!











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#### **TERM 3 WEEK 10 MERITS**

Congratulations to our Week 10 award winners. Don't forget our assemblies are each Monday at 2:35pm. All welcome.

We will be having our special morning tea on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September after the Book Parade.









#### **MERIT SYSTEM**

- 4 Merit Awards = 1 Gold Award
- 4 Gold Awards = 1 Blue Principal's Award
- 1 Blue Principal's Award and a Citizenship Award = 1 Gold Principal's Award.

Please have all awards in by the Friday before assembly on Monday.

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#### **P&C News**

#### CALL FOR BUILDER FOR PLAYGROUND WORKS

The P&C has been hard at work saving our fundraising money so we can help with the installation of new retaining walls and drainage in the playground. With the current lack of drainage, each time we have a heavy rain event the softfall washes out, rendering the playground unusable.

We are looking for suggestions of suitably qualified builders that would be able to assist with these works. If you know of, or can recommend a builder who may be interested in assisting our school, please contact the P&C via email nlhipandc@gmail.com

#### **CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TERM 4**

Due to swimming running on Friday next term the Friday Snack canteen is moving to Thursday for all of Term 4.

If you are able to help serve canteen between 12:30pm—1:20pm on a Thursday please let the P&C know, either by emailing the P&C <a href="mailto:nlhipandc@gmail.com">nlhipandc@gmail.com</a> or dropping a note into the P&C Dropbox outside the office. Please get in touch before Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September so a roster can be created before the end of term.

#### **FRIDAY SNACK CANTEEN**

Our Friday canteen volunteers for this week are Edwina Carle & TBA. Canteen is held between 12:45pm and 1:10pm. Please make sure you can setup at 12:30pm ready for this time. Thank you.

If you find yourself unable to make your rostered day please arrange a swap with someone and notify Sam samtocan77@hotmail.com via email and copy P&C nlhipandc@gmail.com. If you are unable to find a replacement, please advise Sam and copy P&C so that a substitute can be organised.

If you have any queries you can contact the P&C via email nlhipandc@gmail.com

#### Dates for your Diary 2018

Term 3 Events	Date			
Library	Every Monday			
School Banking	Every Tuesday			
Uniform Shop	Every Wednesday am			
Sports uniform	Every Friday in Term 3			
Snack Canteen	Every Friday			
Book Week Activities – Find the Treasure	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> September			
Last Day Term 3	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> September			
Term 4 Events	Date			
First day Term 4 – Staff and STUDENTS (no SDD)	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> October			
Whole school swimming commences	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October			
Swimming	Every Friday until 7 <sup>th</sup> December			
School Athletics Carnival	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October			
Kindergarten Orientation Session and	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> October Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November			
Year 2 Transition to NLPS	i nursaay 29 November			
Christmas Concert	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December TBC			
Presentation Day	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December TBC			