

Newcomb Park Primary School



Respect • Responsibility • Resilience

Term 3 Important Dates

August

- **Friday 20th** Last day for Book Fair
- **Monday 23rd – Friday 27th**
Book Week
- **Friday 27th**
Book week dress up day

September

- **Friday 3rd** Superman stall
- **Monday 6th**
Curriculum Day No students at school
- **Wednesday 8th - Friday 10th**
Grade 4/5/6 Doxa Malmsbury Camp
- **Tuesday 14th**
School Council
- **Friday 17th**
Footy Colours Day
Last day of Term 3, 2.15 finish

Hi Everyone,

I am feeling very grateful at this moment in time!

I have just got off an online meeting with many principals of schools in Melbourne and I am feeling very fortunate that we are here at school and are able to be teaching and learning on site. Hopefully, if we all continue to follow the guidelines and abide by the current restrictions, we will be able to continue here at school, and enjoy having some freedom to move around regional areas.

BOOK WEEK 2021 August 21-27

Each year since 1945 the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) has brought children and books together across Australia through CBCA Book Week. During this time schools and public libraries spend one glorious week celebrating books and Australian children's authors and illustrators.



Book week is **next week**, and we are going to be developing activities, running competitions and telling stories relating to the theme **'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds'** to highlight the importance of reading. We will also finish Book Week with students dressed as their favourite book character.

BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY FRIDAY 27th AUGUST

BOOK FAIR

I would like to thank **Michelle Stewart & Deb Isbister** who has organised and is running our book fair at school. As I have mentioned, we have had to adapt to having book fair during Covid restrictions. I want to thank you for supporting us with this and giving us feedback, we have had to get creative with how we can help you see the books and make sure any money sent in with students, makes it to the book fair safely.

The book fair will finish at 3:30pm tomorrow afternoon and it is a great opportunity for children to select a book they like and encourages positive reading behaviours.



BIKE/ SCOOTER/ SKATE SAFETY

We've noticed students coming to and from school without the appropriate safety gear for their mode of transport. If your child travels to school on a bike, scooter or skateboard could you please have a conversation about road safety- looking and alighting before crossing roads, wearing a helmet and looking out for pedestrians? We will also remind them here at school.

CURRICULUM DAY

We have a Curriculum Day coming up this term. The date of our next **Curriculum Day is Monday 6th September**. Staff will be at school, working on inquiry learning, literacy and numeracy. It will be a busy day for teachers, and we look forward to sharing some of our learning and work with you after this day. A curriculum day is a student free day, so please do not send your child to school on this day.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

I had the great pleasure of meeting with our student representatives in the Junior School Council last week. We had some great discussions and have decided to focus on our Footy Colours Day (which is the last day of this term Friday 17th September). The students are going to be designing, creating and sharing information, creating football clinic and coaching opportunities at recess and lunch times, competitions and some fun prizes. I would like to acknowledge these young leaders and look forward to our next meeting!



WE NEED TO PRACTICE WHAT WE PREACH

We have many sustainable practices at our school, including the new solar panels on our new building. To assist with this, we are going online with our newsletters. This enables us to share more photos of learning and relevant information. Printing a newsletter for every family does cost a lot of money, as well as not being a good choice for our environment. If you would however like a hard copy, please let us know by calling the office and we will print a copy, only if requested.



Thanks, and have a great weekend!

Carly Stafford

Kelly Club

It's been wonderful to see our numbers growing in Kelly Club! This will ensure that we are able to keep this great program running.

If you are interested in enrolling your child/children in Kelly Club, please collect an enrolment form from the front office or alternatively come in and see Hannah in the Kelly Club room after school.

- Our program runs from 3.15pm – 6.00pm every afternoon, except public holidays
- Hannah (Program Coordinator and Educator) can be contacted from 2.45pm on 0448 058 160
 - Bookings can be made at any time prior to 3.00pm of the same afternoon
 - Cancellations need to be notified with 24 hours' notice to avoid a fee
- We appreciate your support and assistance with this. Looking forward to seeing you at Kelly Club soon! ☺



Art News

We are very excited to announce that Mia P and Sofia's portraits were chosen to be exhibited at the Geelong Gallery as a part of the Who's who portrait prize.

The [2021 Who's who portrait prize](#) opened last weekend with 450 selected works being displayed at the Geelong Gallery in the Learn Space. This annual exhibition of the work of local students, honours Jules Francois Archibald, after whom the Art Gallery of New South Wales' famous portrait prize is named and his very special connection to Geelong as his birthplace.

A shortlist of entries are displayed in a virtual exhibition as part of the [People's choice awards](#). You can also vote for Sofia and Mia's work through this link.

Again, Congratulations to Mia P and Sofia!

Mrs. Hyland.



Rebecca Goring by Mia P



Patrick Dangerfield by Sofia H

1/2 and 3/4 buddy day!

We are starting a buddy program between the two classes to promote collaboration, co-operation, responsibility and role-modelling. On this day, the 1/2s taught the Grade 3/4s how to play the Math's game they have been learning, called "Get Out of My House".

Everyone involved showed great teamwork and listened well to their partner for the day.

The two classes will be continuing a buddy program on Friday mornings.



Book Fair

Check out some of the great books available at our book fair!

