What’s Coming Up............................

This Week

Thursday: NAIDOC Day Snake Tails
"Out of Uniform Day"
Friday: Red Nose Day fundraiser, World Cup Soccer day “Out of Uniform Day”
Assembly, Last day of PSSA Sport 3-6
Last day of term 2

Next Term

Tuesday 15 July: Students return
Sunday 20 July: P&C Working Bee 9am

END TO KSPS SEMESTER 1

While Friday heralds the start of the school holidays, there’s plenty on between now and then. K-6 students will attend the Water Safety Program by Newcastle City Council lifeguards today. With backyard swimming pools, storm drains, creeks, rivers and proximity to the ocean, it’s a good chance to raise this important safety issue with your children.

Best wishes to our Year 6 Debating Team who will meet the Belair team this afternoon. Thanks to Mrs Thompson for preparing our teams and to parents who assist with transport.

NAIDOC Week (National Aboriginal and Islanders Observance Committee) will be marked from 6 – 13 July to celebrate Indigenous cultures and recognise the contributions the Aboriginal and Islander Australians make to our country. The 2014 theme is ‘Serving Country: Centenary and Beyond’, honouring the Indigenous people who have fought in defence of country.

KSPS will celebrate NAIDOC on Thursday with a program of special activities including Awabakal Dreamtime Stories, K-6 assembly, combined artwork and Snake Tails. Further details are below in this newsletter. Students are welcome to wear ‘Aboriginal Colours’ – there is no charge.

RED NOSE (SIDS) & OUT OF UNIFORM FUNDRAISERS THIS FRIDAY 27 JUNE

Red Nose Day souvenirs will be on sale in the hall COLA before school on Friday morning. Proceeds will go to Sudden Infants Death Syndrome (SIDS) research. Students are invited to come out of uniform and to donate $2 – half of which will go to SIDS and half to our Student Parliament.

Thanks to Mrs Smith, Mrs Bryant and Student Parliament Welfare Ministers (Molly and Lana) for helping this worthy cause.

PSSA SPORT will conclude on Friday.

COLA FUNDING ANNOUNCED

The school was delighted to hear that $27,000 has been granted to the P&C for construction of a covered outdoor learning area (COLA) in the infants’ quad. This will provide shelter from sun and rain for students and parents. It is one of several projects that will transform the amenity of this area over the next six months or so.

Thanks to local MP, Mr Andrew Cornwell, who has worked hard to help the school secure this and a previous grant, that together with P&C fundraising over the last 18 months, now make project possible. The structure will probably be installed during the Term 3 school holidays.

P&C Monthly Meeting

Wednesday 16 July 7pm KSPS Library
Please come along to help your child’s school and have your say. All welcome!

P&C - School Working Bee –
9am Sunday 20 July. Please pencil this date into your diary. The identified trees in the school grounds have now been cleared and it’s time to enhance the school grounds. Please join us if you can!
For further information see P&C News.
An on-site meeting will be held with tenderer Tri-Steel at 9:30am tomorrow (Wednesday). All interested parents and community members are welcome to attend. Please let me know if you have any queries or suggestions and are unable to attend.

**SEMESTER 1 STUDENT REPORTS**

Students’ Semester 1 Reports were sent home last Thursday. Please contact your child’s teacher if you have any queries; or if there are any errors – so a corrected report can be issued. Reports have been mailed (or sent home directly) for separated parents who have previously requested a copy of their child’s report. If this has not been received or a copy is now requested, please don’t hesitate to contact the school office to make arrangements.

**BRONZE AWARDS**

Well done to Jayden (Y2), Nathan (Y2) and Lawson (Y1) who received Bronze Awards at Friday’s assembly in recognition of their achievement of 5 Assembly Awards. It’s fantastic that our young students are making such a great effort to achieve success at school.

**‘SUMMER SERIES’ SOCCER**

Congratulations to Cody (Y3) who has been selected out of 150 boys to play soccer in a Newcastle Rep. ‘Summer Series’. Cody played through two rounds and ‘cuts’ through the selection process. The Newcastle Under 10 Rep. Team will be selected after the ‘Summer Series’. Best wishes Cody!

Friday is the last day of Term 2 and I’m sure all students and staff are ready for a break. Thanks to all, and to parents and community members who assist in myriad ways. Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday.

Students return on Tuesday 15 July.

MARTIN FROHLICH
Principal

**OTHER SCHOOL NEWS**

**ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL**

Thank you for those who have participated in Active After School this term. All students appeared to enjoy the program run by NSW AFL. Any students interested in participating in the program during Term 3 will need to return the expression of interest form in next terms first newsletter.

MR WARREN - CO-ORDINATOR

**MERIT AWARDS**

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at last week’s assembly.

- KC
  - Jennifer, Madden, Charlotte
- KF
  - Matilda, William, Imogen
- IG
  - Reggie, Jack, Phoebe
- 1W
  - Bryson, Emma, Eddie
- 1/2G
  - Khushinka, Tahlia, Kai
- 2G
  - Hudson, Jack-, Luke
- 2/3E
  - Kurtis, Noah, Thubten
- 3/4T
  - Nick, Melati, Jordie
- 4/5E
  - Paris, Kaitlyn, Campbell
- 5/6J
  - Lucinda, Ellie, Zac, Jasmin
- 5/6W
  - Olivia, Arwen, Holly
- HSU
  - Phoenix
- MISS SQUIRE
  - Matilda, Zali, Jack, Charlie

**NAIDOC DAY – SNAKE TAILS EXPERIENCE**

As part of our NAIDOC Day celebration the Snake Tails show will be visiting our school this Thursday. During the show students will learn about reptiles from the Dreamtime and they will have the opportunity to see and touch turtles, lizards and pythons.

The cost of this educational experience is $6.00 per student. If your child has not already paid, please send your money and permission note to tomorrow.

This day will be out of uniform day for those students who would like to come dressed in traditional Aboriginal colours. There will be no charge to come out of uniform on this day.

**KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2015**

We are already looking towards our 2015 Kindergarten. We have several people from out of zone looking for a place in our school. It is important we know about our in zone enrolments so we can plan for next year. If you have neighbours or friends with Kindergarten age children, please let them know that it is now time to enrol.

MRS V COX – ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
NEWCASTLE MUSIC ACADEMY – FREE WORKSHOPS 7-10 JULY

Several KSPS are learning guitar through Newcastle Music Academy’s lessons in our library on Monday evenings. The academy is holding a series of workshops from July 7-10 for people of all ages and stages, in areas ranging from song writing to playing solo / busking. The school has information leaflets and free tickets to give to interested students. Please go to www.newcastlemusicacademy.com.au for more info or contact the school office for a leaflet or ticket.

COMMUNITY NEWS

RED NOSE DAY

Red Nose Day is this Friday 27th June and we will have products available for sale from 8.30 to 9.00am. We have limited old stock for $2 and $3. New stock includes wristbands and Red Noses for $3, pens for $5, soft toys for $6 and tax deductible label pins for $5, $10 and $20.

Your generous support of this worthwhile charity is greatly appreciated.

LEANNE SMITH

P & C NEWS

Entertainment Books

The School Holidays are nearly here. Need some ideas on how to keep the kids entertained? Well why not use the 2014-2015 Entertainment Book to inspire you and save some money at the same time!

Purchase your new 2014-2015 Entertainment Book or Digital Membership for only $60, with $12 from each book coming back to our school. Please go to the following web link:- https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/346s62 to order today.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be opened on Wednesday 25th & Thursday 26th June 2014 from 8.30am to 9.00am.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th July at 7.00pm in the school library.

HELENA TAYLOR - KSPS P&C

CANTEEN NEWS

Hello from the canteen for a super dooper last week.
I would like to say a massive thank you for an awesome term and to everyone for your help and support. We do such an amazing job for our school in many ways. Thank you!
Attached is a roster for next term so please add your name. I need your help! Thank you!
Have an extraordinary holiday everyone.

FIONA BEST - CANTEEN SUPERVISOR

GARDEN AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

We have set a date for a working bee early next term - Sunday 20 July. All members of our Kotara South community are invited to come along and lend a helping hand.
Some things we aim to do include -
• Setting up the worm farms and composts bins so they will be productive
• Weeding and preparing the existing vegetable garden beds
• Constructing some bathtub garden beds
• Weeding and mulching of surrounding gardens
• Arranging some outdoor seating for the children in the garden area.

Your assistance would be much appreciated. Please email or text me if you would like to assist.

PENNY DUNCAN
0403656072 penelope2k@live.com.au

Pre-Ordering of Chocolates

Next term chocolates will be sent home for a P&C Fundraiser. The school makes $20.00 per box of chocolates sold. If you do not wish to have a box of chocolates sent home with your child next term please complete the form below and return it to the office ASAP.

Please do not send a box of chocolates home with my child.
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MORE DETAILS ON MY FACEBOOK PAGE
https://www.facebook.com/hsf.chubb20

Fundamental Fitness 4 Kids

Fun Fitness classes designed specifically for kids. Suitable for kids 10 years and over of all Fitness Levels.

1 hour Sessions include Circuits, Boxing, Challenges, Strength / Resistance, Cardio, Games, Obstacle Courses, Yoga.

ALSO OFFERING AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
Commencing Term 3
14th July

Cost $70 per term

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