



Newcomb Newsletter

Term 3, Week 2, Friday 24th July 2026



IMPORTANT DATES

JULY

24th - Assembly 2.50pm
24th - Tree Planting Day! 11.30-1.30
27th - 100 Days of Prep Celebration!
28th - School Council Meeting 4.45pm

AUGUST

5th - 7th - Year 3/4 Camp at Cottage by the Sea
5th - 7th - Year 5/6 Camp at Kangarooobie
7th - Assembly 2.50pm (F-2)
14th - When I grow up - JSC Dress Up Day!
17th - 21st - SSG Meetings
21st - Assembly 2.50pm
24th - 28th - Book Week & Book Fair (BER)
24th - Book Week Dress up Day!
28th August - Publishing Party

SEPTEMBER

4th - Superman Stall (P&F)
4th - P&F Meeting 2.15pm
10th - 100s Club!
14th - 18th - Swimming Program
18th - Footy Colours Day!
18th - Early Finish



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move into Term 3, it is wonderful to see our school buzzing with energy and enthusiasm. The weeks ahead promise to be some of our busiest and most exciting of the year, with many memorable learning opportunities for our students. Over the next few weeks our students will be participating in a range of special events including school camps, our Bike Education program and the 100 Days of Prep celebration. At the end of this term all students will also participate in our annual swimming program. These experiences provide valuable opportunities for students to develop new skills, build confidence and strengthen friendships beyond the classroom. We look forward to sharing these experiences with our school community over the coming weeks.

I would also like to sincerely thank our parents and carers for your understanding, patience and ongoing support during the recent AEU industrial action. We appreciate the flexibility shown by families as we worked to minimise disruption while supporting our staff and maintaining the safety and wellbeing of our students. The partnership between home and school is something we value greatly, and your support during this time was greatly appreciated.

A reminder to families that Prep enrolments for 2027 will be closing soon. If you have a child due to start school next year, or know of family or friends considering Newcomb Primary School, please ensure enrolment applications are submitted before the closing date. We are excited to welcome another wonderful group of Prep students into our school community. With winter well and truly upon us, please remember to send children to school dressed appropriately for the colder weather. Warm school jumpers and jackets are encouraged, and we ask families to ensure all clothing is labelled to help lost items find their way back to their owners.

Finally, I would like to encourage families to consider Kelly Club for before and after school care. It has been fantastic to see participation continue to grow, creating a fun and engaging environment for our students. Kelly Club provides a safe, fun and flexible service with a variety of activities that support children before the school day begins and after it finishes. Whether you require regular care or occasional support, I encourage families to explore what Kelly Club has to offer. Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support of Newcomb Primary School.

Blanche Denmead & Carmen Britnell

IMPORTANT INFORMATION & UPDATES

UNIFORM UPDATE

Our school uniform supplier, State Schools Relief (SSR), has rebranded its online store to Equal Threads which will continue to provide quality, affordable uniforms while supporting students across Victoria. There's nothing you need to do. Our school uniform range, ordering process and service all remain the same. Families can continue to easily find and purchase items using the familiar 'Shop by School' option on the new website.

Every purchase made through Equal Threads helps support students experiencing disadvantage with the essentials they need to feel confident, included and ready to learn. Visit the new website at www.equalthreads.org.au

EQUAL

THREADS

Parents & Friends 2026

The Parents and Friends group will be meeting on the 4th of **September at 2.15pm**. Please get in contact with Calista Davis if you would like to get involved with the Parents and Friends Group. Through their regular meetings this group talk about any feedback/suggestions from parents about both day to day school activities and also our annual school events.

In Term 4 we are going to be holding a twilight Christmas market which will include our students performing their Christmas songs. We are going to be needing lots of helpers to bring this to life so if you are interested please get in contact.

NPS School Council 2026

Our School Council plays a vital role in our school. If you have any ideas, suggestions or feedback about our school please feel free to contact any member of school council or email our School Council President at pinkpawprincess@hotmail.com.

Our school council representatives for 2026 are:

- Natalie Edwards (President)
- Penny Winbolt (Vice President)
- Sherridan Woolard (Secretary)
- Morgan Foster (Treasurer)
- Morgan Foster (Community Representative)
- Allison Fogarty (Parent Representative)
- Lyn Wilcock (Parent Representative)
- Glenda Human (Parent Representative)
- Calista Davis (Parent Representative)
- Rachel Smith (Parent Representative)
- Donna Parsons (DET Representative)
- Michelle Stewart (DET Representative)
- Carmen Britnell (Principal)

The remaining school council meeting dates for 2026 are:
Term 3 - Tuesday 28th July & Tuesday 1st September
Term 4 - Tuesday 20th October & Tuesday 1st December

Junior School Council 2026

Our Junior School Council do an exceptional job of organising our termly events. This term the group have organised a day for students to dress up as what they want to be when they grow up. This is another great opportunity for students to have fun and also to think about their future hopes and dreams!

All students are encouraged to dress up and to bring along a gold coin for this term's chosen charity 'Story Dogs.' We are incredibly lucky to have Graeme and Koby in each Friday and look forward to being able to support the foundation that helps them continue their important work in schools.

This term Miss Hodge will be taking over the role of JSC coordinator. We would like to thank Miss Cayla for her amazing work with the group so far this year!

Child Safety - Visitors to Report to the Office

We recognise that from time to time, parents may need to collect students early and/or may wish to speak with their child's teacher about an important matter.

To ensure we continue to adhere to Child Safe Standards, **we request that all visitors to the school report directly to the school office during the hours of 8:50am-3:15pm and/or when meeting with a teacher during the day.** The office will communicate with the appropriate class/staff member to communicate your message and arrange for your child to be sent to the office.

By following this process, we can ensure that teaching and learning is not interrupted, and that everyone's safety and wellbeing is prioritised.

We thank families for their support with this matter.



LEARNING AT NEWCOMB

Home Reading

Reading with your child for just 15 minutes each day can have a significant impact on their reading, language, and overall learning. Regular reading at home helps children develop strong literacy skills while creating valuable opportunities to share stories and enjoy time together.

Benefits of reading together

Reading regularly with a family member can help your child:

- Build confidence and self-esteem.
- Improve memory, focus, and concentration.
- Develop a richer vocabulary and stronger language skills.
- Strengthen writing skills.
- Achieve better learning outcomes across all areas of the curriculum.

How you can support your child's reading at home

You can help your child become a confident reader by:

- Setting aside a regular time to read each day.
- Encouraging them to read for around 15 minutes daily.
- Creating a calm, enjoyable reading environment with minimal distractions.
- Listening to your child read and discussing the story together.
- Encouraging independent reading, as well as reading with and to your child.
- Reminding your child to use the reading strategies they have learned at school.
- Ensuring your child brings their take-home reading book and diary to and from school each day.

GEM Chat



5 THINGS YOU CAN SEE, 4 THINGS YOU CAN HEAR, 3 THINGS YOU CAN FEEL, 2 THINGS YOU CAN SMELL AND 1 THING YOU CAN TASTE.

Children's Fair

Lots of fun was had on our last day of term 2 at the annual NPS Children's Fair.

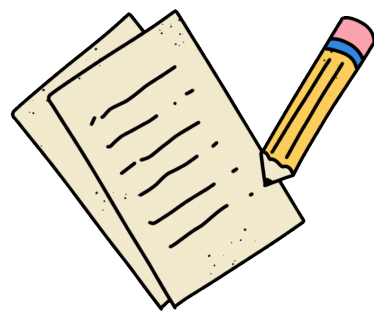
Some of our favourite stalls included:

- face painting
- 1 minute to win it
- guess the lollies in the jar
- throw the beanbag in the hoop
- slime making



Thanks, and have a great weekend!

Robyn Evans
Assistant Principal



NEWCOMB PRIMARY SCHOOL

100

★ DAYS OF PREP! ★

100 DAYS OLDER, 100 DAYS SMARTER!

WE ARE CELEBRATING
100 AMAZING DAYS
OF LEARNING, LAUGHING
AND GROWING TOGETHER!

MONDAY
JULY 27TH



DRESS UP DAY!

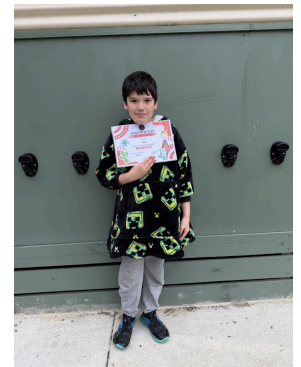
WEAR YOUR BEST "100 YEAR OLD"
OUTFIT TO CELEBRATE BEING
100 DAYS OLDER AND
100 DAYS SMARTER!



★ LET'S CELEBRATE HOW FAR WE'VE COME! ★

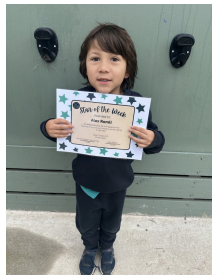


Value Awards



Student of the Week Awards

Congratulations to these students who have shown a positive approach to their schooling!





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WHAT I WANT TO BE

WHEN I GROW UP

DRESS UP DAY!

Dream big, dress up
and show us your future!



FRIDAY
14TH AUGUST

Organised by
Junior School
Council

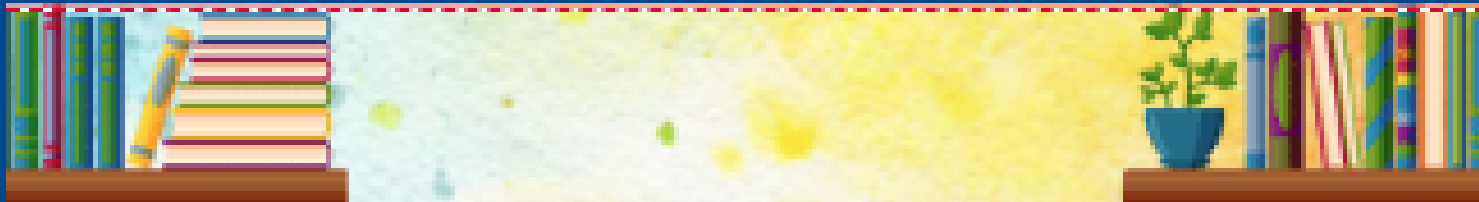


BRING A
GOLD COIN
DONATION

FUNDRAISING FOR A
DONATION TO
STORY DOGS


**Story
Dogs**
Fun Reading
Reading for Life





Publishing Party NEWCOMB PRIMARY SCHOOL



Friday 28th August
12.30pm - Sharing stories
1.00pm - Lunch
in the BER building

**Come and see the incredible work of
our young authors! The students will be
sharing the stories they have created
as part of their literacy program.**

**Families are asked to bring along a
plate of food to share for lunch.**

Two stacks of colorful books are positioned at the bottom corners of the poster. The stack on the left has books in shades of red, blue, yellow, and purple. The stack on the right has books in shades of yellow, red, green, and blue.

INCLUSION AT NEWCOMB

Our School Wide Positive Behaviour (SWPBS) focus over the next few weeks is

We listen to and follow instructions

LOOK – LISTEN – THINK – DO

Remember

👁️ Eyes on the speaker.

👂 Quiet ears and quiet mouth.

🤔 Think before you act.

✅ Do your best the first time.



BOOK FAIR *is Coming!*

☆ **SAVE THE DATE!** ☆



**TUESDAY 25 AUGUST
TO FRIDAY 28 AUGUST**



BER BUILDING



**BEFORE &
AFTER SCHOOL**



**EXPLORE FANTASTIC
BOOKS FOR EVERY AGE!**



LET'S CELEBRATE THE JOY OF READING TOGETHER!

WELLBEING AT NEWCOMB

KYLIE SCANDOLERA - MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING LEADER

We have been working with the Resilience Project for a number of years, ask your kids about Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness and Emotional Literacy. All of these topics are covered in the curriculum.

If you need some more resources to chat with them at home, please feel free to pop in and see me and I can help you out. Im in the Junior School Building near the entrance.

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT.

We're working with The Resilience Project

We're proud to be implementing TRP's evidence-based whole school wellbeing program. Students will engage in weekly lessons to understand and strengthen their practice of **Gratitude**, **Empathy**, **Mindfulness** and **Emotional Literacy**.

Gratitude



Gratitude involves recognising and expressing appreciation for the people, places and things in our lives. Practising gratitude allows us to pay attention to what we have, increasing feelings of happiness and leading to a more positive outlook on life.

Empathy



Empathy involves understanding others' feelings and perspectives and is practised through kindness, compassion and curiosity. Developing empathy fosters deeper connections, increases our likelihood of acting kindly, and helps us experience positive emotions.

Mindfulness



The practice of mindfulness is about an awareness of life as we are living it.

It allows us to be responsive to our experiences rather than being reactive, and to live with greater balance, presence and connection.

Emotional Literacy



Emotional Literacy involves learning to identify and label our emotions, as well as developing emotional regulation skills. When we can accurately name our feelings and emotions, it reduces the impact of uncomfortable emotions and enhances the effect of positive ones.

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Term 3 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	13th July CurriculumDay NAIDOCWeek	14th July FirstDay Term3	15th July NAIDOC Week	16th July NAIDOC Week	17th July 2027 Prep enrolments due today!
2	20th July 10am Yr 5Script Writing Week	21st July NAIDOC Week 10am Yr 5Script Writing Week	22nd July 10am Yr 5Script Writing Week	23rd July 10am Yr 5Script Writing Week	24th July TreePlanting Day 11.30- 1.30pm 2:50pmAssembly
3	27th July Prep100Days Celebration!	28th July 4.45pm School Council Meeting	29th July	30th July	31st July
4	3rd August	4th August 3.15ConsultativeMeeting	5th August 3/4 Camp 5/6 Camp	6th August 3/4 Camp 5/6 Camp	7th August 3/4&5/6Camp 2:50pm Assembly Allwelcome
5	10th August	11th August OffSite Evacuation Drill	12th August	13th August	14th August JSC Event: What you want to be when you grow up!
6	17th August SSGMeetings(KESO)	18th August SSG Meetings	19th August SSG Meetings	20th August SSGMeetings	21st August SSGMeetings 2:50pm Assembly
7	24th August Book Week!	25th August Book Fair 3.15 Consultative Meeting	26th August Book Fair Gymnastics Program	27th August Book Fair	28th August Book Fair Publishing Party
8	31st August	1st September Division Athletics 4.45pm School Council Meeting	2nd September Gymnastics Program	3rd September	4th September Superman Day Stall! 2:15pm - P&F Meeting 2:50pm Assembly Allwelcome
9	7th September	8th September	9th September Gymnastics Program	10th September 11am 100s Club	11th September
10	14th September Swimming Program	15th September Swimming Program	16th September Swimming Program Gymnastics Program	17th September Swimming Program	18th September Swimming Program Last Day of Term 2:15pm finish Footy Colours Day! P&F Sausage Sizzle

Term 3 Working Bee - Sunday 16th August 10-1pm

STEM

In Term 3 in STEM students are exploring how Digital Technology and Art can come together. As part of Naidoc week celebrations we began the term by reading the “Bunyip from Berkeley Creek” and then creating a picture of a Bunyip. These pictures were then converted into lifelike images of Bunyips all thanks to AI.

The students were all amazed at how lifelike their images became. Throughout the term we will continue to explore Digital Technology and Art by creating Doodlebots, using robots to create artwork and by creating and using an Art Spinner (this is a spinning disc that you can draw on to create patterns).





Meli



NPS

Starting July 27th

SunshineCircles Playgroup

What is Sunshine Circles?

SunshineCircles® groups help you to support your child's social, emotional and thinking skills. Led by a facilitator, you will have fun playing and having joyful moments together with your child, in a caring, supportive environment.

Hosted by Hayley Davis from Meli and Newcomb PS
Afternoon Tea provided



Term 3

Monday- 2:15pm-3pm



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What's been happening...

🎉 **Kelly Club Newcomb PS Update** 🎉

Can you believe we are officially **over halfway through the school year** already? Time has flown, and what an incredible year it has been so far!

One of the things we are most proud of is the wonderful little community we have created together. It has been so special watching strong friendships form so quickly, with children supporting one another, building confidence, and making every session a fun and welcoming place to be.

This term, we were also lucky enough to be involved in the **Newcomb Primary School Fair**, where we hosted our very own Kelly Club stall! It was a fantastic opportunity to be part of such a great community event, and we loved seeing so many of our Kelly Club friends stop by, while also meeting lots of new faces throughout the day.

With the days becoming shorter and the weather much colder, we've been making the most of our cosy indoor space and heater by getting extra creative! Our budding chefs have baked almost every flavour of cupcake imaginable—from rich chocolate and classic vanilla to strawberry and red velvet. We've also enjoyed making DIY clay necklaces, creating our own mini people, mixing homemade playdough, designing balloon-and-rice squishies, chocolate fudge and completing what feels like an endless number of colourful colouring pages and creative art projects.

It's been wonderful to see the children's imaginations shine and their friendships continue to grow with every session. We look forward to continuing all the creative fun, exciting activities, and memorable moments as the term progresses. We can't wait to see what the rest of the school year has in store! 💙✨

Booking Reminder:

Don't forget to book your children in, as places are filling quickly and we would hate for you to miss out! ☀️

THEME: POKEMON					
Term 3 week 2 20/07/2026					
Weekly Activities Plan Kelly Club Newcomb PS					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 - 8:00 am		Breakfast: Variety of cereals; Cornflakes; Rice bubbles ; Nutri-grain. Toast or Toasties			
7:00 - 8:25 am	Breakfast Club!	Breakfast Club!	Breakfast Club!	Breakfast Club!	Breakfast Club!
8:25 - 8:45 am	Tidy up & Game	Tidy up & Game	Tidy up & Game	Tidy up & Game	Tidy up & Game
3:15 - 3:30 pm	Sign in & Mindfulness	Sign in & Mindfulness	Sign in & Mindfulness	Sign in & Mindfulness	Sign in & Mindfulness
3:30 - 4:00 pm	Afternoon Tea	Afternoon Tea	Afternoon Tea	Afternoon Tea	Afternoon Tea
4:00 - 4:30 pm	DIY PLAYDOUGH 	POKEMON BINGO 	DIY POKEMON CARDS 	DIY POKEMON MASK 	TRAINER CERTIFICATES 
4:30 pm- 5:00 PM	Tidy Up/Outside	Tidy Up/ Outside	Tidy Up/Outside Play	Tidy Up/Outside Play	Tidy up/Outside Play
5:10- 5:30 pm	Late snack & group game	Late snack & group game	Late snack & group game	Late snack & group game	Late snack & group game
5:30 - 6.00 p,	Homework & quiet activities.	Homework & quiet activities.	Homework & quiet activities.	Homework & quiet activities.	Homework & quiet activities.

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KELLY CLUB NEWCOMB UPDATE





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BEFORE SCHOOL CARE

7:00AM - 8:30AM

\$2.30

***AFTER 90% CCS OR
\$22.97 FULL FEE**

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

3:15PM - 6:00PM

\$3.03

***AFTER 90% CCS OR
\$30.28 FULL FEE**

**CCS
PROGRAM
SUBSIDIES
AVAILABLE!**

**Conditions apply*

**ENROL NOW AND JOIN THE
KELLY CLUB FUN!
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