

HILLTOP NEWS

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Busy Last Days at School

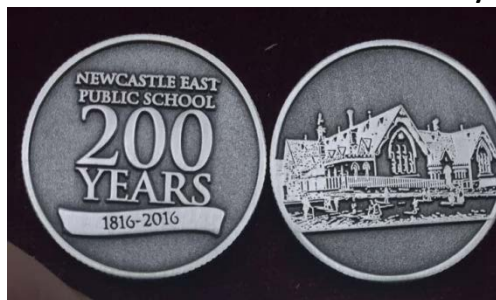
The last few days of the school year are always packed with events, and yesterday we were lucky enough to have a beautiful day for our Presentation Ceremony. Congratulations to all our students, for their achievements this year, and for their attentiveness during a very long assembly. Congratulations too, for our new school captaincy team, consisting of Emily Miles, Logan Crawford, Asha Osborne, and Noah Handley, and our commiserations for all the other candidates, who were very worthy, but just missed out in the voting. We have various leadership roles for our seniors, and I'm sure that we will find positions for these students in 2016.

With classes resuming on Thursday 28th January, we wish you and your family a safe and merry Christmas, with some time to re-charge your batteries, and some time to just relax.



How many teddy-bears does it take to keep Kindy students happy? One each, if this picture is a guide! Our two Kindergarten classes combined for their traditional Teddy Bears' Picnic this week, in King Edward Park, and here they are giving their guests a joy ride for Christmas.

A Gift for our 200th Birthday



Something to look forward to in February – our wonderful P and C has decided to make a gift to every student, of this stunning memorial coin, a keepsake of our Bicentenary, with an image of the school on one side, and a celebratory message on the other side.

What's New In 2 /3 V?

Miss V's class has been working on the theme of "shelter", experimenting with different types of housing, and modelling them using found, natural materials. As well, an impromptu concert by Darcy, Marshall, Mani, and Mr Bookallil kept the class entertained this week.



Tyrrell Street Fence Hand-over Ceremony –

As you might have noticed, the stone wall around our school has finally been finished. After several months of work it has been completed and looks amazing. Yesterday, there was a final ceremony to officially hand it over to the school. The current, and newly-elected captains were invited, as well as the Member for Newcastle Tim Crakanthorp, and several other people who were part of the massive job to finish it. Now it is officially ours, and looks fantastic and ready for our school's 200th anniversary.

Reporter Elizabeth Wood



Design Challenge Wednesday

Don't forget – if you have been working on your conveyor belt project at home, tomorrow, Wednesday, is the opportunity to bring it in and demonstrate it working. Please remember, that this is not a competition. Any entry is appreciated, and all will be video-ed for use on our school archive.

Appreciation

After yesterday's excellent events, our Presentation Day and our Christmas Carol evening, we are reminded just how much hard work and good-will goes into making our school run so well. My thanks to our hard-working staff, our parent organisations, our incredible volunteers in our gardens, canteen and classrooms, and our very supportive parent body, for all the effort put in this year, to make our students' school experience all the richer. It is appreciated!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!