

# HILLTOP NEWS

Week Four, Term Two, Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Edition One Hundred and Seventy-four

## Dance Troupe Success

Congratulations to Mrs Edge and her Senior and Junior dance ensembles, after both groups of talented students successfully auditioned for the Hunter Dance Festival, which take place later this term. We are fortunate indeed to have Mrs Edge on staff, and she has shown again the high standard that she achieves with students in both dance and choral work. Our kids are very excited, and with good reason. Well done, dancers!

## Bicentennial Fair Meeting Friday

All parents and friends of NEPS are invited to a meeting this Friday at 8.45, in the Wrensford Room (staff room) to get further planning under way for our Fair, which is to be held on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Keep that date free, and please let me know if you have other great ideas for fund-raising, which you might have seen at other fetes and fairs.

## Debating News

We are entered in two levels of competition this year, Premier's Challenge for Year Six, and Train-on for Grade Five. We have many interested students in this form of public speaking, which makes team selection a difficult but rewarding chore. This Friday our Grade Five team, which consists of five debaters (four to be picked from Amberly Moffat, Amy de Malmanche, Ruby Parsons, Romeo Alexander-Meylan, and Ruby Crane ) and a Year Six mentor – on this occasion Elizabeth Wood – will debate against New Lambton public School.



In the picture, our team which won last year's Train-on competition, now practising for Premier's Challenge, and underneath, our Train-on debaters, coached by Mrs Mason.



## Early Notice- Athletics Carnival Date

Save the date, if you are able to come along and watch – Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, at Newcastle Athletics Track, National Park Street Hamilton South.



## The Quiz – Double Prizes Again This Week

Last week Darcy and Alice O'Rourke correctly named the picture as Macquarie's Pier, named after Governor Lachlan Macquarie, who tried to build a strong sea-wall to prevent so many ships running aground as they entered Newcastle Harbour.

You can find this week's answer in our book To Climb The Hill as well.

IN 1816, when our school opened, what was the age of the youngest student, and the oldest student, enrolled on that first day?

Please email your answer to [john.beach@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:john.beach@det.nsw.edu.au)

## Closing Off Receipting and Transitioning to LMBR

Our school office has to change over to a new financial management system, called LMBR, later this term, and the ladies have been told NOT to receive any money after Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June. If you have outstanding accounts and can pay them by that date it would be appreciated.

## Maths Enrichment for Talented Students

We have lots of very clever kids at our school, but I have asked teaches to nominate twenty of the brightest in Grades Five and Six to attend a maths workshop this week, with Mr Kevin Fell, a Maths teacher with a special interest in maths extension programs. Kevin's children attended NEPS, and he is an exceptional teacher, but parents may rest assured that all our children are extended in maths within their own classes, as we group them according to their ability every day, even if they are not included in this special Maths day.

## Canteen

Want to help in the canteen but can't make it in for a whole day?

Text Cherry on 0409 927 006 if you can help.

## Importance of Punctual Arrival at School

Attendance at school is compulsory, and arriving in time for the very important morning lessons is essential. This year we are recording all absences, even partial absences due to lateness, and we are required to report on these to our Home School Liaison Officer. For children, the peak learning time is the first session of each day, and teachers construct their lessons around the vital couple of hours first thing each day. Lateness to school often results in children missing vital steps in their learning, which can then compound into a reluctance to come to school, and feelings of separation. Please make every effort to have your child to school on time, or ask for assistance if there are reasons for persistence lateness.

## Surfing

Students from Years 3-6 thoroughly enjoyed their surfing program during Term One. Each Friday they arrived at school by 8:30 in their surfing gear, ready to learn new skills and attack the waves at Nobbys with confidence. The enthusiastic and knowledgeable instructors taught the children important beach safety and surfing skills and everyone stood up on their board at least once by the end of the program. While they were waiting for their turn to surf, students participated in beach activities such as jail or newcombe ball. Thanks must go to Mrs Thomas for her thorough organisation of this program and facilitating such an excellent opportunity for our students.



## Year 6 Term 1 Fundraiser

Thank you to all those who supported the Year 6 barbeque last term. Just over \$400 was raised, which will contribute to the Year 6 gift to the school at the end of the year. The Year 6 students worked hard in all areas of this fundraising project including: taking student orders, ordering, collecting and paying for food, cooking, assembling and delivering sausage sandwiches, and cleaning up. Not only was it a fundraiser, but also an exercise in responsibility and commitment.

## Office News

As we are approaching our LMBR rollover, we ask that if you have any outstanding fees or excursion money, could you please have it finalised by Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June. We will not be receipting between Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June.

Online payments cannot be accepted during this time as we will have a new bank account and it will be extremely difficult to retrieve any money that goes into the old bank account.

Thank you for your understanding and patience during this time.





# CANTEEN MENU

NEWCASTLE EAST  
PUBLIC SCHOOL



## SNACKS

Amazeballs	1.00
Cake of the week	3.00
Corn Cob with or without butter	1.00
Fruit	0.50
Finger Bun (1st Fri of month)	1.20
Popcorn	1.00
Slinky Apple	0.50
Yoghurt Cup With Blueberries	1.00

## FROM THE OVEN

Chicken Strips	0.50
Chicken Burger (Monday)	4.00
Garlic Bread Roll	1.00
Mini Meat Pie	1.50
Pizza - Hawaiian or Margarita	3.00
Sausage Roll	2.50
Spinach & Ricotta Roll	2.50

## BOXES

<b>SURF'S UP MUNCH BOX</b> boiled egg, corn chips, vegie sticks, seasonal fruit, cheese cubes hommus 50c extra	3.50
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<b>GARDEN SALAD BOX</b> Salad with ham off the bone or chicken breast extras 50c: cheese, pineapple, beetroot	3.50
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## DRINKS

Plain milk	1.00
Plain milk with flavoured straws	1.50

## FROM THE DELI (SANDWICH & WRAPS)

*Deli items toasted for 50c extra*

<b>HAN SOLO</b> - choice of: cheese, vegemite, tomato, ham, jam, honey (extra toppings .50)	2.00
<b>CHICKEN RUN</b> chicken, lettuce, mayo	3.50
<b>WALLACE &amp; GROMMET</b> cheese & tomato	3.00
<b>BABE</b> ham off the bone, cheese, tomato	3.50
<b>RAINBOW SALAD</b> lettuce, tomato, carrot, cucumber (extra items .50)	3.00
<b>SHARK BITE</b> tuna, lettuce & mayo	3.50

## SUSHI

<b>SUSHI ROLLS</b> (Friday)	
Teriyaki Chicken	
Chicken & Avo (gf)	
Tuna/Chicken + Lettuce & Mayo (gf)	3.00
Vegetarian - carrot, capsicum, avo & cucumber	
Prawn California	
Smoked Salmon & Lettuce	
<b>Sushi orders must be in by 12pm Thursday</b>	

## FROZEN

Hula Hoops (frozen pineapple)	0.20
Frosty Fruit (frozen seasonal fruit)	0.50
Quech Fruit Sticks	0.50
Smooze	1.20



# The simplest way

...to make fruit and vegie snacks.

Snacks are an important part of a healthy diet for active children. And a great way to serve fruit and veg!



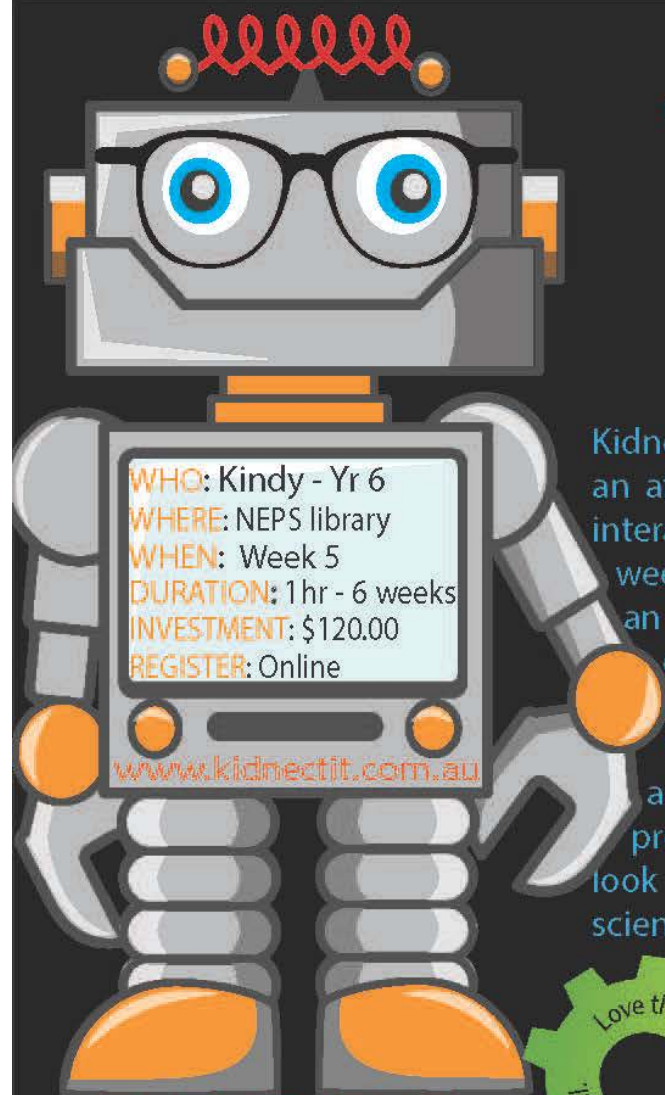
Try some of the following fun, nutritious snacks to help your kids eat more fruit and veg.

For more great ideas and recipes visit [eatittobeatit.com.au](http://eatittobeatit.com.au).

- Raw vegie sticks with homemade or shop-bought dip.
- Pumpkin scones or vegie pancakes.
- Celery boats (filled with reduced fat cream cheese + sultanas dotted on top).
- Fruit frozen paddle pops (thread pineapple wedges or banana halves on a stick and freeze).
- Apple crumble (stewed apple + muesli, baked).  
Poppletana (unsalted popcorn + dried apple + sultana = nibble mix).

For more information visit  
[www.eatittobeatit.com.au](http://www.eatittobeatit.com.au)  
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://facebook.com/eatittobeatit)





**WHO:** Kindy - Yr 6  
**WHERE:** NEPS library  
**WHEN:** Week 5  
**DURATION:** 1 hr - 6 weeks  
**INVESTMENT:** \$120.00  
**REGISTER:** Online

[www.kidnectit.com.au](http://www.kidnectit.com.au)



Kidnect IT clubs are everything a child would want in an after school club. Each class is fun, fast paced, interactive, collaborative and at the end of each weekly one hour class they have literally brought an inanimate Lego object to life. Sounds pretty cool, doesn't it?

Children work in pairs under the supervision of a fully trained DET teacher to complete various projects that provide children with a first-hand look at the practical real-world application of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

Do you want your child to learn in a fun and engaging environment?

Do you want your child to use logic and reasoning to generate ideas?

Do you want to improve how your child critically thinks and problem solves?

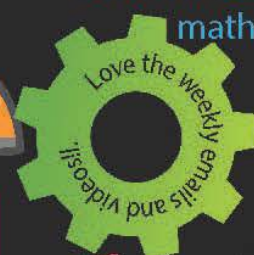
Do you want to awaken your child's imagination?

Do you want improve how your child interacts and communicates ideas with others?

Do you want to build self-confidence and independence in your child?

Do you want your child to be academically challenged?

Do you want your child to learn 21st century skills?



If you answered YES book now!  
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Email: [kidnectit@gmail.com](mailto:kidnectit@gmail.com)  
Phone: 0491 147 560

#### Discounts

Refer a friend and you receive a \$20 discount. They receive a \$10 discount. \* \$10 return discount



## Which club best suits your child?

### Robot Builder (K - 2)

Robot Builder is our core club, where students follow step-by step on-screen instructions to build their robots, and then write suggested programs to get their robot working. After that, those who are ready write more complicated programs involving motion or tilt sensors, or improvise to make their robots achieve certain challenge. Students also have the chance to be creative by experimenting different ways to re-engineer robots or make aesthetic modifications.

### Robot Extreme (Grades 5 and 6)

Students will have an awesome time building advanced Lego Mindstorm robots that can respond to a multitude of sensors. This term students will program a robot to compete in a sumo challenge at the end of the term. Each week students will program and build on extra elements to their robot that will be required during the battle round in the final week of term.

## NEW PROGRAMS - For those students who are interested in programming in video games

### Video game programming (k & 1 )

Even our youngest students can enjoy video game programming with Scratch Jr., a special version of Scratch. We start each class with a kinetic exercise to help kids learn about programming blocks – then we grab our devices and start writing! (Yes, as always we provide all necessary equipment for use during class).

### Video game programming (Yrs 2 & 3 )

Does your child dream of writing his or her own video games? We've found a great way to get started: Scratch, the super-simple drag-and-drop multimedia programming language.

### Video game programming (Yr 4 )

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	Monday	Thursday	Friday
2.50pm -3.50pm	Video Programming K/1	Robot builder K-2	Programming Yr 2/3
3.50 pm - 4.50pm	Video programming Yr 4		Robot Extreme

Our promise to you. If your child does not love our club after the first week we will refund your registration fee back no questions asked.

\*Refer a friend discount only applies if the friend is new to Kidnect IT.

TERM TWO PLANNER

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1.	April 25 ANZAC DAY	26 SDD	27 LMBR L/A	28	29
2.	May 2 GATS Debating Workshop Sailing	3	4 Cricket training	5 LMBR L/A  History Course 4-6	6 LMBR John
3.	9  Sailing	10 NAPLAN	11 NAPLAN  Flu Vax 2.30/3.30	12 NAPLAN	13 LMBR L/A
4.	16  Sailing	17 ICAS Digital Tech  LMBR John	18 GATS Maths	19 LMBR L/A	20 LMBR L/A
5.	23 School Photos  Sailing	24 Primary Athletics Skills Workshop	25 LMBR L/A	26  GATS Poetry LMBR L/A	27
6.	30  Sailing	31 ICAS Science	June 1	2 LMBR L/A	3 LMBR L/A
7.	6	7	8 LMBR L/A	9	10
8.	13 Queen's Birthday Holiday	14 ICAS Writing  LMBR Live	15  ICAS Spelling	16 Whole School Athletics Carnival	17
9.	20	21	22	23	24 LMBR John
10.	27	28 Canberra 5/6	29 Canberra	30 Canberra	July 1 Canberra
		BandLink	Bandlink		Mr Beach's last day at NEPS



## Women

### CUTTING & STYLING

Cut & Blow Dry	Long Hair	75
	Short Hair	65
Restyle		75
Blow Dry (incl. shampoo & massage)	from	45
Hair Up	from	50

## Colouring

Half Head Foils (incl. toner)	75
Full Head Foils (incl. toner)	100
Full Head Tint	55
Each Extra Colour	15
Toner	10
Deep Conditioning Treatment	20

# LPH

## Lana Pilar Hair

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54 CURRY STREET, MEREWETHER

### TRADING

SUNDAY / MONDAY: CLOSED  
TUESDAY - THURSDAY: 8AM - LATE  
FRIDAY - 8AM - 4PM  
SATURDAY: 7AM - 3PM

## Men

Men's Cut	40
Beard Trim	10

## Children

Child's Cut	20
Infant	30
Primary / Secondary	40