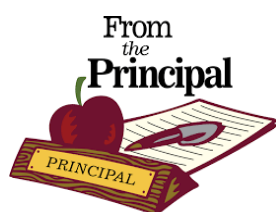


# HILLTOP NEWS

Week One, Term Three, Tuesday, 12 July 2021 - Edition Three Hundred and Sixty-Five



This term we have started under Level 2 COVID safe restrictions. Some of the key factors under this are;

- Students are face to face learning as usual
- No non-essential visitors
- Masks recommended indoors for all staff

Further to the advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Schools will arrange for students who present as unwell or have even mild flu like symptoms, to be sent home. Students and staff with flu like symptoms will need to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result before being permitted to return to school. When your child gets a negative COVID test result, a screen shot emailed to the school is needed before returning.

At times, parents and carers will be required on our school site for specific purpose such as important meetings. In this case, parents and carers are required to check in using the QR codes and sign in via the office. You will be asked to show your green tick when entering the office area. While on site, please follow mask wearing requirements and check out using the Service NSW app when you leave.

For safety reasons, we are required to limit non-essential visitors to the school site, including parents. Parents waiting in the afternoon are again reminded to maintain social distancing when collecting your child/ren. At this stage, we will be exiting the school as we did last term.

Mick McCann

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## Thought for the Week

NSW Department of Education COVID-Safe School Operations			
Level 1 COVID normal	Level 2 Limited restrictions	Level 3 Significant restrictions	Level 4 Learning from home
<b>Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students are learning at school</li><li>• Activities can occur with COVID-safe plans in place</li><li>• QR Codes in place</li><li>• Staff and students may choose to wear a mask</li></ul>	<b>Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students are learning at school</li><li>• Restrictions to ensure activities are COVID-safe such as singing outdoors</li><li>• No non-essential visitors</li><li>• QR Codes in place</li><li>• Recommended masks indoors for all staff and secondary students</li></ul>	<b>Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students are learning at school</li><li>• Restrictions on activities to reduce mingling of student cohorts wherever possible</li><li>• Restrictions on activities such as assemblies, school performances and singing</li><li>• No non-essential visitors</li><li>• QR Codes in place</li><li>• Mandatory masks indoors for all staff and secondary students</li></ul>	<b>Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Schools activate plans to support continuity of education for students learning from home. No student is turned away</li><li>• Reduce mingling of student cohorts wherever possible</li><li>• No non-essential visitors</li><li>• QR Codes in place</li><li>• Mandatory masks indoors for all staff and secondary students</li></ul>
Determined by NSW Health			

## Awards

No awards this week due to the staff development day.

## Attendance

A major focus we will have at NEPS over the next 4 years will be our attendance rate. The current daily attendance rate is 93% which is above the expected level but we only have 81% of our students attending school 90% of the time. This is the figure we need to lift.

We have adjusted some of our practices here at school and rolls are submitted by 9.00am each morning. This is why you may have started to receive an automatic SMS. If you receive this, please respond with the reason, even if you have come into the office when dropping off your child.

We are asking for your help in getting your child to school each day and on time. Just 15 minutes missed each day adds up to over an hour of lost learning each week and up to 50 hours for the year.

## P&C Information

**Save the Date** – Tuesday 27 July for our next P&C meeting (TBC)

If you need to contact the P&C, please use this email address [pcneps@gmail.com](mailto:pcneps@gmail.com) and keep an eye out for updates on the P&C Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/nepschool/>

## Canteen Volunteer Sign Up

Those parents who are wishing to help out in the canteen will need to use this link to do so. Thank you for the support and patience shown as we re-establish this important part of the NEPS community.

<https://bit.ly/3xZbr09>

## Sentral Parent Portal

We are currently transitioning to the Sentral Parent portal for communications, reports, interviews time etc. As some will know, this is proving more difficult than first thought. Two major things we have discovered;

1. We need a family email account to link the system. This needs to be one that you have access to on a regular basis.
2. If you have children at high schools, and they use Sentral, you cannot use the same email address for access here at NEPS. This is a security feature of Sentral.

You may have received an email asking to link into Sentral. If you have successfully created an account and have access, please delete these emails.

All families with a registered email address have been sent the link to access the parent's portal. Skoolbag will be turned off at the start of term 4. All notices will go out on Skoolbag and Sentral Parents portal this term.

## Uniform Update

If you wish to purchase uniforms please pay online, fill in the order form and email it to the school. I will send the order home with your child. Uniform shop days have changed to Tuesday mornings from 8.15 to 10.45 instead of all day Mondays

My last order of uniforms are currently in Sydney awaiting approval from customs.

I am expecting them to arrive late this week or early next week. As we know Sydney is in lockdown so expect delays. If you have any questions you can contact me on 49292911.

I would like to thank you for your patience during this time.

Cheers

Jenelle

## Creative Writing Club

Creative Writing Club is continuing this term for anyone interested in joining. Classes will run Wednesday mornings from 7:45-8:45 in the library for students from years 2-6 and start Wednesday of week 2. The themes change each term so if you were already involved in the classes last term you can absolutely attend again and new students are warmly accepted. Flyer is attached and all booking go directly through Ed Wright at The Creative Word Shop.



## NADIOC at NEPS 2021

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June we were very fortunate to end Term Two with a day of wonderful experiences for NADIOC celebrations. The amazing team from 'Speaking in Colour' ran a day of events including art, dance, weaving and artefacts. The students and staff had a great time learning about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history. The students were inquisitive, open and focused throughout the lessons. At the end of the day we concluded with an assembly. 5/6P were the class chosen to demonstrate the dance they had learnt from Berthalia Reuben, a Torres Strait Islander, who shared his community's knowledge through song and dance. The presenters were equally impressed with Newcastle East Public School, stating that it was one of the 'best schools' they had ever been to. They were impressed by the students' great behaviour, genuine interest and higher-order questioning skills as well as the staff's openness and commitment to the students and education. A special mention to Tracy from OOSH, who provided lunch for our guests; they were very grateful. Don't forget we are in the process of designing new sport shirts for our school with an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander focus, so if you have any designs please return them to Yasmin McNamee as soon as possible.



TERM 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Wk1</b> 12.7.2021 – 16.07.2021	Staff Development Day – No Students				
<b>Wk2</b> 19.07.2021 – 23.07.2021					
<b>Wk3</b> 26.07.2021 – 30.07.2021		P&C / SC Meetings – 5.30pm Library			
<b>Wk4</b> 02.08.2021 – 06.08.2021		Basketball Gala Day (TBC)			Zone Athletics Carnival (TBC)
<b>Wk5</b> 09.07.2021 – 13.08.2021	ICAS Writing	ICAS Digital Tech			
<b>Wk6</b> 16.08.2021 – 20.08.2021	ICAS English	Yr6 Taser lessons NHS (TBC)	Science Open Day	Sticky beak Tours No1 (TBC)	St 3 Touch Day (TBC)
<b>Wk7</b> 23.08.2021 – 27.08.2021				Sticky Beak Tour No2 (TBC)	
<b>Wk8</b> 30.08.2021 – 03.09.2021	ICAS Math	P&C / SC meeting – Library – 5.30pm		Sticky Beak Tour No3 (TBC)	
<b>Wk9</b> 06.09.2021 – 10.09.2021	NHS Yr6 Day (TBC)	St2 Sydney trip (TBC)		Sticky Beak Tour No 4(TBC)	
<b>Wk10</b> 13.09.2021 – 17.09.2021					

# KINDERGARTEN 2022

## Newcastle East Public School

Enrolment information and plan to visit our school  
before your child starts in 2022.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

The online enrolment link



### OUR ZONE

Enrollments are open to all students  
living in our zone. Use the school finder  
website to double-check which school  
you are zoned for.



### STICKY BEAK TOUR

Parents are invited for a tour of the  
school in small groups with the  
principal or assistant principal.  
Parents will have an opportunity to  
see our current kinder rooms and  
ask questions about the 2022 school  
year. Save the date!

### STICKY BEAK TOUR

The date for the tours are;

19 August - 10.00am -10.40am  
26 August - 10.00am -10.40am  
2 September - 10.00am -10.40am  
9 September - 10.00am -10.40am

### OUR EOI FORM

Please add your name to our google  
form to stay up to date with our 2022  
kinder orientation plan. We will use this  
list to send invites to the stickybeak  
tours and formal kinder orientation  
days.



### OUR SHARED MAKER'S SPACE



## CONTACT DETAILS 4929 2911





Dear parents, guardians and carers

**Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)**

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.australian.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

**Principal**

COME AND JOIN THE FUN



# *NEPS parkrun*

THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY  
MONTH

8AM, ARNOLD ST, CARRINGTON



# 2021 HUNTER Primary

## High Potential & Gifted Mini Camps



We are happy to announce that the Hunter GATS Camp is going ahead this year... just in a mini version!

Students in Years 5 and 6 can attend day workshops in their chosen elective led by professional teachers and tutors.

Students attending will need to wear comfortable clothing, bring their own morning tea and lunch, plus a water bottle and a spirit of fun.

**Cost:** \$50 per student (including a camp beanie)

### Venues:

**Thursday 19th August - ENGLISH @ Floraville Public School**

**Tuesday 24th August - SPORTS SCIENCE @ Hunter Sports High**

**Friday 3rd September - SCIENCE @ Swansea High School**

**Thursday 9th September - MATHEMATICS @ Blacksmiths Public School**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October – VISUAL ARTS @ The Junction Public School**

**Tuesday 26th October - ICT @ Valentine Public School**

[Click on this link to Register](#)

Registration closes on Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup> 2021

Students can attend more than one day in different electives. Information regarding payment, attendance, times and student requirements will be emailed to parents by Term 3, Week 3 to confirm your child's elective, venue and workshop day.

*The Hunter HPGE Committee*

For further details please contact Jane Pankhurst at [jane.pankhurst@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jane.pankhurst@det.nsw.edu.au)





**NEPS P&C is joining forces with Tulloch Wines and The Beer Drop AU to provide an amazing fundraising opportunity for all our parents and friends of Newcastle East Public School.**



**THE BEER DROP**



Until the end of the year, any online order using **discount code NEPS21** gives 20% of all sales directly to the NEPS P&C 2021 fund raising target, *you even get free delivery!*

- Raise money to transform our school library and special programs room furniture
- Craft beer and local wine delivered direct to your door
- Support your school and local businesses from the comfort of your couch

**NEPS21**

**Pass on the code to all your family and friends, and let us see how much we can raise**

**TULLOCH**  
ESTABLISHED 1843



**TULLOCH WINES**

*You must use discount code **NEPS21** to help our cause & get free delivery*



# CANTEEN MENU

## Newcastle East Public School



### Snacks

Seasonal Fruit	\$1.50
Cheese & biscuits	\$0.50
Popcorn	\$1.00
Choc Muffin Low Fat	\$1.50
Sea Salt Chips	\$1.50
Grain Waves	\$1.50
Yoghurt Cup with Fruit	\$1.00

### Everyday Hot Lunch

Chicken Fingers	\$0.50
Gluten Free Chicken Nuggets	\$0.50
Garlic Bread Roll	\$1.00
Mini Meat Pie	\$1.50
Sausage Roll	\$2.50
Spinach & ricotta rolls	\$2.50

### Sauce

Tomato	\$0.20
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### Sandwiches and Wraps

White bread or a wrap (both have GF option) – indicate on order.

*Ham or Chicken with lettuce, tomato and cheese	\$3.00
extras	\$0.50
carrot, beetroot or cucumber Mayo (optional)	
* Spreads – Vegemite, Strawberry Jam, Honey	\$2.00

### Salad Boxes

* <u>Garden Salad Box</u>	\$3.50
- lettuce, carrot, cucumber, cheese, tomato, beetroot	
Hummus (optional)	
- add ham or chicken.	\$4.00
* <u>Munch Box</u>	\$4.00
- egg, carrot sticks, cucumber sticks, celery sticks, cherry tomatoes, grapes, cheese and flat bread chips	
Hummus (optional)	

### Toasties

Cheese and Tomato	\$2.50
Just Cheese	\$2.50
Ham and Cheese	\$2.50
Ham, Cheese and Tomato	\$3.00

### Drinks

Plain Milk	\$1.00
Plain Milk with Flavoured Straw	\$1.50
- chocolate, strawberry, banana, choc mint, caramel, marshmallow, cookies and cream	
Juice Bomb	\$2.00
- raspberry, watermelon, coola, orange/passio, grape, lemon/lime, blackcurrant	

### Ice Blocks

Frozen Pineapple Rings	\$0.50
Nice 'n' Juicy Quelch Sticks	\$0.50
- lime, orange, raspberry, blackcurrant	\$1.00
Ice Money	
- chocolate, sour blue, watermelon	\$1.00
Snap Sticks	
- Sour or Sweet.	\$1.00
Moosie's	
- Chocolate, Strawberry, Bubble-gum	

### Special Menu Days

<b>MONDAY</b>	\$3.00
Chicken Fried Rice (GF)	\$2.50
Vegetarian Fried Rice (GF)	

<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	\$3.00
Butter Chicken with 2 papadums (GF)	

<b>FRIDAY</b>	\$4.00
* <u>Cheeseburger</u>	
- bun, lean beef patty, cheese, tomato sauce. (GF Buns available)	
* <u>Chickenburger</u>	\$4.00
- lettuce, cheese and mayo (GF Buns available)	
* <u>Pizza</u>	\$3.00
- Ham and Pineapple, Margarita, Pepperoni	



We're a Certified Great Choice Healthy School Canteen 2019





Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Class:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

POP Receipt:

Description	Size							Total Quantity	Unit Price	Amount
	4	6	8	10	12	14	16			
Skorts									\$20.00	
Unisex Shorts									\$20.00	
Unisex Polo									\$25.00	
Unisex Hoodie									\$50.00	
Unisex Trackpants									\$28.00	
Tunic									\$50.00	
Hat	S-M			L-XL					\$15.00	
Backpack									\$50.00	
Library Bag									\$10.00	
									Inc. GST	