**Principal’s Report**

Starstruck: I had the privilege of seeing our students perform in Starstruck last Friday night and they were fantastic! Their performance was outstanding and the students were excellent ambassadors for our school. Well done to all involved! A big thank you to Mr D and Mrs Halligan for their supervision of the students.

Stormwater Works: We are currently undergoing some stormwater improvements behind our classrooms. This important work will assist in stormwater being funnelled into a drain at the bottom of the school grounds rather than eroding the ground under the buildings. Work should be complete by the end of term.

NAIDOC Day: Our school will be celebrating NAIDOC Day next Tuesday with classes involved in activities to celebrate Aboriginal culture and an assembly at the end of the day. Students will learn the ‘Wombat Wobble’ so be sure to ask them to demonstrate when they get home from school!

Disco: Our disco is being held next Wednesday 25th June with K – 2 students discoing from 5.30 – 6.30pm and Yr 3 -6 students dancing up a storm from 6.30 – 8pm. Notes have been sent home for students to order their dinner between discos. A note was also sent to Year 6 student to make glow in the dark loom bands to be sold on the night.

CAPA Assembly: Advance notice that our Creative and performing Arts Assembly will be held on the last day of this term at 1.30pm. There will be performances by the choirs, band, guitar group and Year 3/ 4 percussion group as well as our regular award presentation. Parents are very welcome to attend. Please note: the event will be postponed if it is raining.

Jump Rope For Heart: Mel from the Jump Rope for Heart team visited the school on Monday to talk about our Jump Off Day. The children were very excited to see some skipping demonstrations, particularly some skilled skipping from Mr D and Mr Westcott! Sponsorship forms have been sent home with students and our Jump Off Day will be held on July 31st.

Semester One Reports: Semester One reports will be sent home with students next Friday, 27th June. Portfolios will accompany reports. If you have any questions about your child’s report, please contact the school to arrange a time to meet with your child’s teacher.

Triple Zero Kids Challenge: An interesting free app is available for both android and Apple devices. It is called Triple Zero Kids Challenge and teaches children about how to react in an emergency. Recently, it was named as an app which taught a five year old boy how to save his mum by calling 000 in an emergency.

**Deb Hall**
Relieving Principal.

**Class News**

**Kindergarten**

Kindergarten students were entertained this week with a Jump Rope for Heart skipping demonstration. Sponsorship forms for next term’s Jump Rope for Heart fundraising event went home in their bags on Tuesday. Please also check your child’s bag for the permission note about our chicken hatching experience.

Congratulations to our Public Speaking finalists. The results: 1st Shontelle, 2nd Kamea, 3rd Hallie, 4th Talia. Well done, girls! I am so proud of your efforts and how brave you were to stand up in front of 100 people and deliver your speeches!

**Ms Hook**

1/2

The 1/2 Star of the Week has been carried over due to Mrs Halligan being away. Congratulations to all students who achieved 100% in their spelling test last week. I can’t name them all as the actual lowest score this week was 9 which was scored by only 3 people in the class. It is very pleasing to see the spelling work being done daily finally paying off. This will be the last week of spelling homework for the term. Thank you for all your support with spelling and home reading this term, the 1/2 students have made great improvements in reading over Term 2. We are extremely close to having all students earning 100 points which means CLASS PARTY! So keep an eye out for a letter in the next day or two.

**Star Struck**

Congratulations to all the Star Struck students who performed last Friday and Saturday at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre. Mr D and I were also very proud...
of the way you performed and we have received very positive feedback about the students’ performance from everyone who saw them! The students will be performing again at our school during the Creative Arts assembly at the end of the term.

Thank you very much to all the parents of our Star Struck students, without your help and support it would not be possible for us to be involved in Star Struck. Mr D would be very hungry also without your support so a big special thank you goes out for those who helped also.

Thank you also to Mrs Laird who also went above and beyond in the organisation to ensure that we made it to Star Struck rehearsals and performances.

Mrs Halligan and Mr Derbyshire

3/4

Miss Robinson, from Newcastle University, is working with our class. She has settled in well and the children are responding very positively to her lessons.

Many students are coming to school without the necessary equipment for lessons. Could you please check with your child to see that they have a pencil case, two HB pencils, an eraser, some coloured pencils or crayons and a ruler. It would be great if they also had some glue and a red biro. Their name should be on all equipment.

The students have been learning about Pablo Picasso and have created an art work in response. We shall also begin skipping next week as our morning fitness activity. This will be a lead up to our Jump Rope for Heart day next term.

Mr Westcott

4/5/6

This week we welcomed Miss Tahli Caban to our classroom. Miss Caban is a teaching student from Newcastle University (Ourimbah) and has been enjoying working with the class. Year 6 began their Independent Learning Project this week. This project will be assessed by Swansea High staff for students to gain placement in the Swansea High Enrichment and Independent Learners classes. Congratulations to our Stage 3 public speaking finalists: Jesse G, Charli, Keeley, Callum, Beatie; and Stan. Good luck in the finals! We are also looking forward to Mrs Leggatt and students from Swansea High visiting next Monday to work on the Science Fair projects with Year 6 students.

Ms Hall

Canteen reminder: Mini beef and potato pies will be on sale from this Friday for $1.20.

Please remember to include an extra 50 cents when ordering cheese on hot dogs etc.

P & C Committee

Coming Events

Term 2 Week 9

NAIDOC Day—24th June
Year 6 Disco - 25th June
CAPA Assembly—27th June
Semester 1 reports—27th June

Happy Birthday To:
Jesse G—20th June
Taj M—22nd June

Canteen Roster:
Friday 30th June—Caroline/ Trish Irwin
Monday 23rd June—Leanne Munroe
Wednesday 25th June—Kevin Fitzgerald & Ben Gray
Friday 27th June—Kris Green

A big “THANK YOU’ to all the wonderful helpers in the Canteen.
The Uniform Shop is open each Friday morning from 9.00 until 9.30 am for uniform sales.

Old style Stubbies brand size 12 Sport Shorts—6 pairs only MUST GO $5.00 each.

Size 10 and 12 Polo Shirts and Caps have arrived.

As this will be my last year with NWPS, I need someone to train in running the Uniform Shop—if anyone is interested please see me on Fridays.

The Position of Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator is still Open. Please see me if you are interested in this Position.

Thanks Kylie

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ABSENCE NOTE

Student Surname: ________________________________

First Name: ________________________________

Class: __________________

Date/s of Absence: ________________________________

Reason for Absence: ________________________________

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Parent / Guardian Signature: __________________________

Date: ________________________________