

South Newman Primary School



THE NEWMAN WAY



- Support the school, friends and others
- Accept and appreciate differences in others
- Treat people how you would like to be treated

Care & Compassion

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Care, Compassion & Respect

THE NEWMAN WAY



- Be considerate and follow the rules
- Use your manners
- Respect yourself and others

Respect

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THE NEWMAN WAY



- Behave responsibly toward teachers, students and others
- Take responsibility for your own learning
- Keep the school tidy and clean

Responsibility

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Welcome to our second newsletter for the term. Last week we farewelled the lovely Mrs Dee Gerring from our staff as she moved with her husband interstate. We now welcome back Mrs Rebecca Armstrong to our staff, along with Mrs Brooke Kucen and Mrs Leanne Bain. All three ladies will be teaching part time. We sincerely welcome them and their knowledge and skills.

Last week saw the beginning of two new Physical Education programs starting for Years 4-6. These are contemporary dance being taught by the talented ladies from Newman Dance Company and basketball by Ms Eva Harris. Ms Harris joins us as an Education Assistant who has been a WA state basketball player, coach and referee. Ms Harris is running basketball activities during recess and lunch for our students and so far there has been a lot of interest. Miss Courtney Pullen has also started with us and is working with many students as an Education Assistant. So lots of new faces and fun times ahead with our new staff.

Our Breakfast Club in the new outdoor kitchen area is showing to be very popular. The YMCA under the Remote Schools Attendance Strategy has been contributing to the Breakfast Club on various days making juices, healthy shakes and treats too. We thank them for their generosity.

The outdoor kitchen which includes a wood fired pizza oven is available to families or community groups for hire. For more information please see me or phone/email our school.

Thank you to the parents who came along to our recent reading and spelling information sessions, including Minilit and Macqlit run by our Deputy Principals Sonia Hammond and Jen Dickinson. If you missed them and would more information please contact the Deputies directly. Parents please know you always welcome to arrange a meeting anytime with your child's teacher to see how they're going academically and socially.

At the end of the month 23 March, we will be selling our large Mac computers for \$250, cash or Eftpos. They will be sold from the library from 9am. More information about these computers will be sent out next week on our app.

Katie Wallace
PRINCIPAL
South Newman Primary School

Year	K	PP	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
%	81	88	86	90	89	90	91	91

Congratulations **Room 2** and **Room 3**
Your class had **94%** attendance this fortnight!



COMMISSIONER ASKS FOR STUDENT OPINION

Colin Pettit is the Commissioner DigiMe, which is an online forum created to offer WA children and young people with a way to have a say and have their views promoted. Each child can create their own "DigiMe" profile and put forward their opinions about a range of topics with this year's big questions being: what do you like most about the place you are living in.

Before Commissioner's visit to Newman a special questions will go up on the website on Wednesday 14 March. All students will be invited to log on to the website between Thursday 15 March and COB Tuesday 20 March and put their opinions forth and have their say. As a follow on from the survey, a few select students will be invited to discuss their perspectives with the Commissioner when he visits your schools.


DigiMe which is an interactive activity on the Commissioner's which can be found at the following link:
<https://www.ccyp.wa.gov.au/info-for-children-and-young-peop le/>


Welcome to DigiMe

With DigiMe you can create your digital me and tell the Commissioner and the community what you think about our current topic:

What do you like most about where you live?

Select where you would like to start

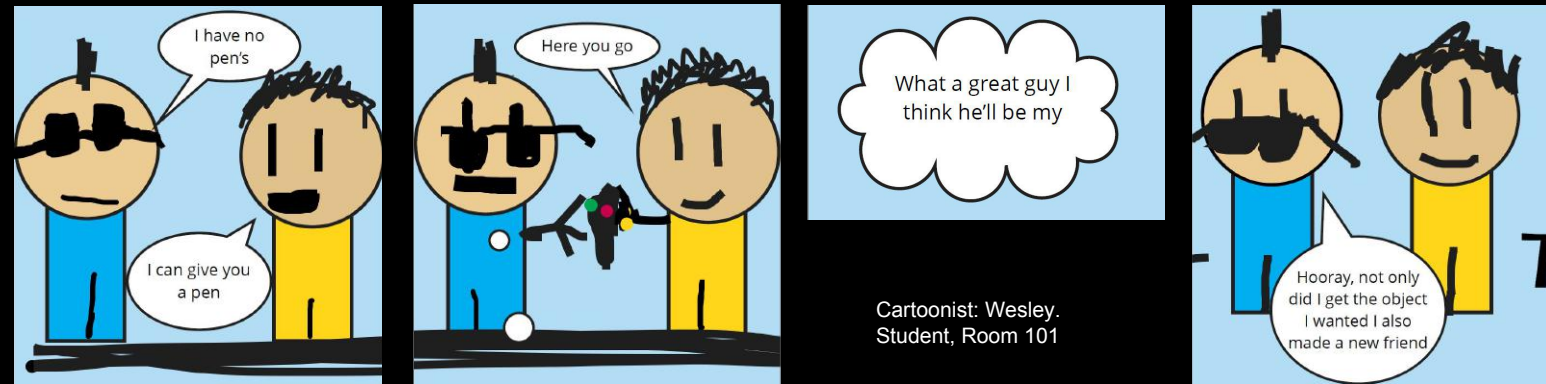




POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOCUS

Being Friendly: It is easy to be friendly to other students in your class and a simple friendly gesture can really make someone's day a happier one. Plus, you might make a new friend along the way.

Theme: Sharing - A boy is missing a pen and the other boy is offering his pen



DEPUTY REPORTS

DEPUTY REPORT SONIA HAMMOND

It has been a fantastic few weeks in the middle and upper primary years with lots of events happening for students. A basketball competition is beginning for the Year 4 and 5 students on Wednesday and Thursday lunch times. The Faction Captains are taking on leadership roles by coaching the teams and Ms Harris is the official tournament organiser and umpire. Good luck to all the teams in the coming weeks.

Big ball soccer and basketball activities are also being run for Years 3 to 6 at lunch times.

Just a reminder that the Swimming Carnival nominations and money are due in Friday, 9 March to the front office. Congratulation to all the Year 3 students and Miss Henderson for a wonderful German assembly item. I have visited the German lessons happening in the library and feel super impressed with the students learning. Counting, greetings and songs all being spoken with great enthusiasm, it's *WUNDERBAR!*



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 15 Mar - Welcome to SNPS BBQ @ 6pm
- 16 Mar - Assembly Room 9 (Y1/2)
- 19 Mar - Year 3-6 Faction Swimming Carnival
- 21 Mar - Harmony Day
- 22 Mar - Nexus Arts
- 23 Mar - Food Sensations Visit (Y3s)
- 26 Mar - Interschool swimming carnival
- 27 Mar - Dental Screening Visit
- 28 Mar - Easter Hat Parade
- 29 Mar - Assembly Room 8 (Y1/2)

DEPUTY REPORT JEN DICKINSON

I have some exciting news to share for the Early Year students (Pre-Primary, Year 1, Year 2), the school together with P & C committee has purchased 800 decodable home readers for students to take home as part of the Home Reader program. These books are designed so students can decode words to support fluency. Please look after these books when they are at home as they have been a large expense to the school and we want to make this resource last for many years to come. These books should start going home approximately Week 8 or 9. If you would like to volunteer some time to cover these home reader, please contact the front of the office.

Thank you to the parents who came along to the Early year Reading sessions, it was great to have learning discussions about our students at SNPS. I used this time to talk about the 5 important components to reading and how these components compliment MiniLit. These components are:

1. Phonemic awareness
2. Phonics
3. Fluency
4. Vocabulary
5. Comprehension

Thursday this week, I was ordered to Year 1 and 2 classrooms upon arriving to school by some very excited students, apparently their teddies had caused havoc in the classrooms and there were suggestions of teddy classroom parties. This was a very clever way for our teachers to 'hook' our students into writing recounts.

Parent Home Reading handy hint 1:

Get your child to look at the front cover and have a go at predicting what the book is about and/or words that may be in the book, before reading. This activity links to a comprehension strategy taught at school Predicting.



PHOTO: Students discover the mess from the Teddy Bear Sleepover. It certainly was a big mess to clean up.

TEDDY BEAR SLEEPOVER TRASHED!

**AUTHORS: Izak Jones and Anthony Bowie
Students, Room 101**



We interviewed three students from Room 12, Cameron, Hayley and Maddi, to uncover what had happened overnight at the Teddy Bear Sleepover. When asked to rate the mess on a scale of 1-10, just how messy was it? They responded, "It was a ten because it was completely trashed and it was terrifying because we have never seen our classroom like that before". They also thought that it was a terrible because they thought "this is going to take forever to clean up". Teachers were not able to provide a comment to our journalist team to confirm their location at the time the incident occurred.

NUMERO: THE NUMBERS GAME

**AUTHORS: Ashton Airton and Brody Parr
Students, Room 101**

The Numero challenge is held once a week for students that want to participate in a maths challenge in a game called Numero. For those who don't know what this card game is, it's a simple game of adding, taking and building with the goal to be the person who has "taken" the most cards. This is a way to apply basic math skills but there is a wild card feature that uses multiplication, division and subtraction, and, for older years percentages and square roots. The Numero challenge is played individually and written on paper and put in a box at the front office. If you have "taken" the most cards and your maths strategy was correct, you go into the lucky dip to win a prize.

Congratulations to this week's winners:

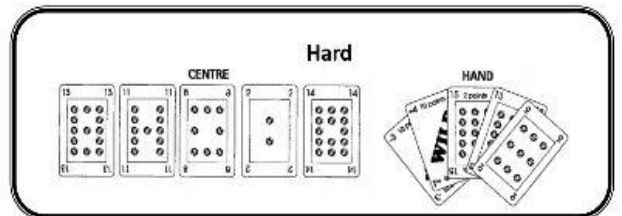
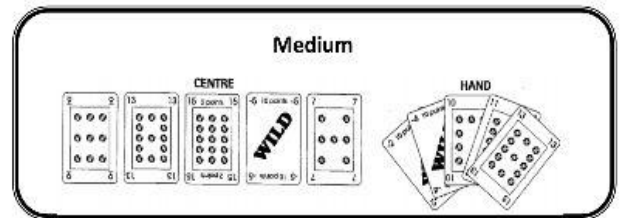
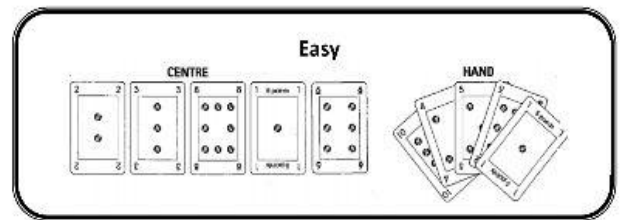
- Easy Challenge – Ariya Anthony Year 2 Room 9
- Medium Challenge – Harry West Rm 101
- Hard Challenge – Chloe Duncan Rm 101

CHALLENGE NUMBER 12

NUMERO

Challenge - Twelve

Entries must be in by Thursday 15th March 2018



Special Feature: Room 11 Assembly

The story behind the performance

Teacher: Mrs Shelley Henderson

Name of song: Welcome Song and the Numbers Song

Langage: German



PHOTO: Room 11 performance showcasing their new language skills in song.

ROOM 11 - CLASS INTERVIEW

AUTHOR: Spencer Jones
Student, Room 101

Room 11 surprised the audience at SNPS by opening with a welcome song in German followed by a performance that showcased their German number skills.

We interviewed all the students after their assembly to learn more about their performance. When asked about their favourite part in the assembly, Jack said "The first song because it is a nice way to welcome people to our assembly in a different language."

They think everyone really enjoyed it because it is a new language being learnt at the school and no one has ever used it before for a performance.

They were very confident about being on stage and gave themselves a 10 out of 10 because all their hard work paid off, they remembered all their parts and had lots of fun on stage.



PHOTO: Room 11 after their wonderful assembly performance chat in their classroom with our journalist team

PRE-PRIMARIES LEARN ABOUT FIRST-CLASS LEVERS

AUTHOR: Miss Lundy
Teacher

In their Design and Technology lessons, the Pre-primaries have been investigating levers. They found that lifting and carrying heavy items is much easier with a trolley. This week, Miss Lundy and Mrs DuPlessis prepared a work station with all the necessary safety gear for lifting nails out of wood, using hammers for levers. It was nail-biting!



PHOTO: Students get hands on with Design and Technology activities

SPECIAL REQUEST

Please keep, and donate, any clean items such as cardboard, plastic and styrofoam, that could be used for constructing models and simple machines in Design and Technology lessons. Thank you.

In the community

Afterschool care Monday-Friday



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government
rebate can be
applied

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SWIMMING AND WATER SAFETY⁷

Have you considered working for the Department of Education as a Swimming Instructor?

Instructors are needed in your area for both the Intern and VacSwim programs, please consider this employment opportunity!

Teaching swimming is a rewarding career with family friendly benefits.

- You have the opportunity to teach during school hours in our Intern program and/or in the October and summer school holidays; and
- The Department's swimming instructors are some of the highest paid instructors in the state!

AUSTSWIM WA is conducting a Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course at Newman Aquatic Centre on the 10 and 11 March 2018. Course details are available on the AUSTSWIM website [TSW319524 Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety](#)

For information on working with the Department please visit [Swimming and Water Safety](#)

We look forward to having you as part of our team!

Please contact the Swimming and Water Safety team if you have any queries on
T: 9402 6195 or E: interm-country@education.wa.edu.au.

FAMILY CYCLE DAY ON 25 MARCH 2018

Author: Leandra Chibaya
Student, Room 101

The Newman Recreation Centre is having a town celebration for Bike Week. A special family-friendly event is taking place at the Town Square, Sunday, 25 March 2018. This event is for all ages to enjoy a community ride around the Town Centre.

This is an important chance for kids and parents to spend time with each other.

Some of the special features of the event will include an Amazing Race, pit stops, fun challenges and puzzles.

There also will be a healthy BBQ Breakfast to get you set for your big ride around town along with a free safety check before riding.

Have fun and get cycling.

Create Your Own Bike Artwork

What does bike riding in Newman mean to you?

All age groups are invited to submit a piece of artwork with your idea of what represents bike riding in Newman.

What do you see, feel and experience when riding?
Do you have a creative idea for a bike stand?
Where do you go? Who do you go with?
What would you like to see?

All submissions will be displayed during

Bike Week 19-23 March 2018.



Submissions close **Wednesday 14 March 2018**

Please deliver all entries to the school office at SNPS.

A3 size posters preferred but any size, sculptures and mixed media work are most welcome.
Please put your name and age (if a child) and contact details with your artwork.

For any enquiries please email southnewmanpc@gmail.com

Meeting some of the new team members at SNPS



PHOTO: Mrs Karey O'Connor in her favourite work space - the classroom

INTERVIEW: NEW STAFF MEMBER MRS KAREY O'CONNOR

AUTHORS: Riley Matthews and Jobe Bakes
Students, Room 101

3 students, Riley Matthews, Jobe Bakes and Ella Airton were lucky enough to interview the super EA, Mrs Karey O'Connor. First we asked questions to get to know her better, and discovered that she has lived in Canada, New Zealand and Australia. Her Mum works at a High School for special needs children and her Dad was a Primary School Teacher. Some of her special talents are playing the piano and winter sports, especially ice skating and skiing. If she could have any power she would want to fly to see anybody at any time without spending anymore money. Her favourite foods are anything with cheese in it and pomegranate. She loves chocolate because it changes her mood to make her happy.

Next we asked her some questions about her job. She has been an Education Assistant for three years. She chose to work at a school because she wants to see children reach their full potential, children are our future and if she could play any part in that she would be very proud. When asked is she would change anything about her job, she said "It would be just one thing; having four extra hands to help more children". Mrs O'Connor is very passionate about her role and working with children with kids with special needs.

INTERVIEW: NEW STAFF MEMBER MS EVA HARRISS

AUTHORS: Abel Cole, Ben Malins, Riley Mathews
Students, Room 101

Abel, Ben and Riley interviewed Ms Eva Harriss to discuss her new role at South Newman Primary School. When asked how she rated her on a scale of 1-10 she said, "11 out of 10 because she loves it here at SNPS!"

It always nice to find someone returning to Newman as she said, "although this is her second week in the role, she did live in Newman during 2000-2003" and is very excited about her new position at the school as an Education Assistant.

Ms Harris was previously a Representative for our State Basketball network and has been sharing her skills with the school by introducing basketball sessions during recess and lunch with a tournament starting for Year 4s and 5s. We feel very lucky to have such a wonderful talent contributing to the wellbeing of our students.

We also asked what other sports she had been involved in and she said "I have taught a little bit of netball and swimming".



PHOTO: Ms Harriss and the journalism team having fun at their interview session. (Left ro right) Abel, Ms Harriss, Ben and Riley.

Our social pages

Merit awards



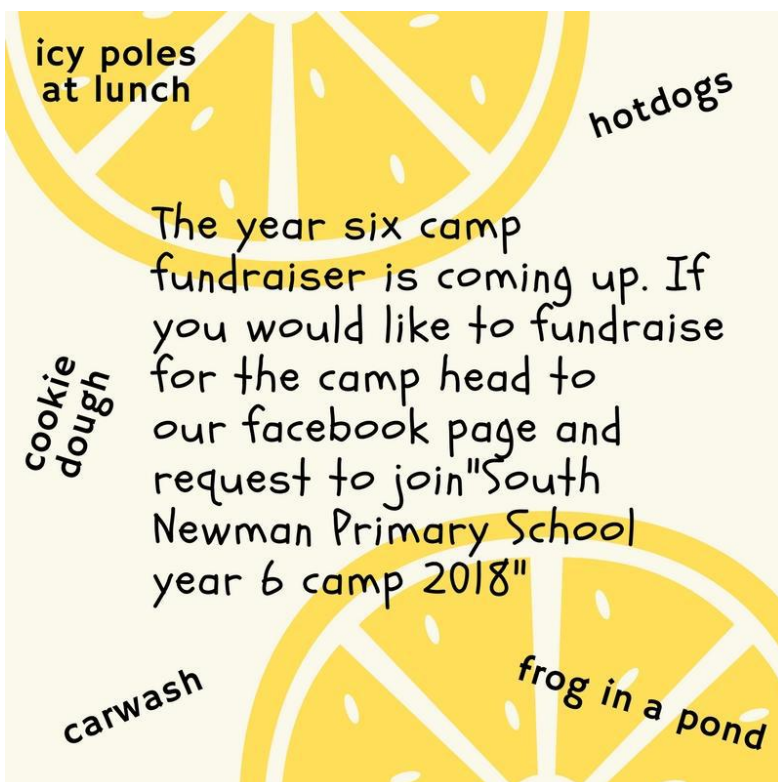
AWARD WINNERS: Ollie Bakes, Stella Stevenson-Povey, Lilli Miller, Ava Miloseski, Nathan Ralph, Indi McGrady-Saville, Talia Horn, Missie Woznyi, Tia Eades, Naparli Sipkes, Zoe Mitchell, Lexis Cortland, Shae Smaill, Kohan Sandford, Kaden Christie, Lucy McGowan, Glenn Whitby, Phoenix Gill.

Newman Way Values awards



AWARD WINNERS: Shonae Morrison, Syllas Dixon, John Salva, Nicholas Jukawics, Callum Vanderburgt, Dakota McGuinness, Waylyn Mogridge, Shaeleigh Robinson, Mckenzie Sammons, Connor Kelly, Mason Clinton, Chrystal Wilton, Brodie Parr.

Support our Year 6 Camp Fundraising



Artwork designed by Makenzy Russell
Student, Room 101

SPECIAL FEATURE: INTERVIEW WITH MISS KYM

As part of the sport program at SNPS, we are lucky to have dance classes with Miss Kym from Newman Dance Company.

Author: Lucy McGowan
Student, Room 101

Miss Kym has lived in Newman for nearly 5 years, and her favourite thing to do in her job is seeing kids have fun and learning how to dance. Miss Kym teams up with Miss Keira to run the company. She started dancing when she was four and wanted to start teaching it when she was eight. Miss Kym was a Physiotherapist before she started teaching dance. Dance makes Miss Kym feel happy and she likes to see where it can go. Her Nana did tap when she was little but Miss Kym never saw her dance.

Miss Kym has four people in her family and her favourite food is chocolate. Her other hobby is cooking.

If Miss Kym had the ability to be any superhero she would make up her own because she does not want to copy anyone. When asked what inspires her, she said "my kids."

Our social pages



STUDENT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Author: Chloe Duncan
Student, Room 101

Being a student councillor is one of the best things in the world, you get to run talent shows organise fundraisers but what is really important is the assemblies. There are so many jobs like the Acknowledgement To Country or controlling the PA, managing the awards for the Wet Area and Canteen, and you can't forget about the Newman Way Values and Merit Awards. So I am going to tell you what it's like to be a student councillor on assembly days.

First, I spoke with Makenzy about what it's like to be on Crowd Control, and if you don't know what that is, it's helping people on stage and guiding them where to go once they receive their awards. Makenzy said that "its can be very nerve racking and it's really hard being short because when the tall people come I have to stand on my tippy toes". Next I spoke with Ben, as he looked after the Attendance Awards. He said "it's fun because you get to stand up and talk and hand out awards". Holden and Tamzyn did the judging of the wet area judging and said that it's nice to see the clean ones but sometimes disappointing when they see the messy ones.

Amelia spoke about the Canteen Awards and she said that "it was fun because you get to talk about the canteen and respecting it".

Riley has two jobs at the last assembly because he was filling in for our Head Boy, Jett Lockyer which were the Acknowledgement To Country helping with the Awards..

Our Head Girl Lily, helped with the PA and she said "It was fun because you get to push all the buttons and control the sound".

Finally, I will share about my role which was looking after the PA with Lily, and I was also filling in for Levi so I also had two jobs like Riley. The PA is loud but so fun to be in control of, and presenting the Student Councillor Report is a little scary but also really fun.

So there you have it, all the jobs and what they are like. So one day if you want to be a Student Councillor, Head Boy or Head Girl, this gives you an idea of what you get to do on Assemblies.