Student of the Week

Hayden K/1P

Haydon is a hard working student interested in his learning. He is able to attempt all activities with confidence and is beginning to work independently. Haydon has a ‘fair go’ attitude. He enjoys a laugh but knows when the fun stops and work begins. He is honest and always speaks up to help his friends. This has made him a very popular class member. Congratulations Hayden!
PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

New Computer for all K-2 Students
Our lucky Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 students were given their very own computer last week to use in class each day. Each student was given their own XO laptop that they could customise with their own preferences and will be used just for their class work.

I was in the 1/2 class Thursday as the excited boys and girls experimented with their new devices and discovered all the features. These laptops will give the class access to many more learning opportunities.

Newling students really do get a lot of opportunity and support from their school!

The XO’s will be used alongside the current touchscreen and netbook computers giving Newling students even more scope to extend their learning.

We are confident that soon each Transition student will also get their own personal XO computer to boost their learning.

Book Week
Next week we celebrate Book Week 2014. This year’s theme being: Connect to reading ~ Reading to connect

In preparation for book week students have been studying Duncan Ball books and he will visit the school this Friday. Students in each class will be planning and preparing costumes for the Book Week parade from a selected text. The Gathering next Friday will include the Book Week parade.

We are hopeful the books for Book Fair will arrive early this day to be set up for parents to view after the Gathering.

P and C Meeting
P and C met last week and discussed some ideas for school community. One of these was to host a Friday Morning Tea each week for parents. The first Morning Tea will be held on the 22nd August and is a chance for parents to meet, catch up and have a chat while enjoying some delicious refreshments.

The P and C will be also organising a celebration of 40 years of Education at Newling. This year marks 40 years since Newling opened and we look forward to seeing many past students and staff back at the school to commemorate this milestone.

Transition Class
The transition class have been getting used to school and are now ready to start two days of school. Transition will be Thursday and Friday until the end of the year. The first Friday will be 22nd August and transition parents are invited to morning tea commencing at 9:30am.

School Website for Mobiles
Access the school calendar for all events at school on your mobile phone. Visit www.newling-p.schools.nsw.edu.au on your mobile device to keep up to date with what’s happening.

Touch Football
Congratulations to the boys team who had a convincing win over Uralla on Wednesday. The next round match will be Thursday. Good luck to the boys.

The girls team will play against Walcha today and have been training hard so should do very well.

Zone Athletics
Newling was outstanding at the Zone Athletics Carnival on Friday with all competitors’ displaying great sportsmanship. Our teachers all agreed that our school was by far the best represented at the carnival and are extremely proud of our students. Thank you also to the parents who assisted all day and supported the Newling team.

Congratulations to all who competed on the day. A special mention to Will who finished 3rd in Discus and the 11yrs 200m, and our Senior Boys Relay team who came third.

Mathematics Competition
Students in 5/6 entered the Australian Mathematics competition to test their knowledge against students all over Australia. We eagerly await the results to see how well our students achieved.

Bike Safety Day
The 3/4 class were all smiles last week when they took to the playground on their bikes as part of their class work on Bike Safety. After inspecting their bikes the students rode through the playground showing their sensible riding and safety skills to the younger students.

Star Awards
Last week “You’re a Star Award” certificates were achieved by successful students who have been using the You Can Do It keys to success and demonstrating persistence, resilience, organisation, getting along and confidence.
**Important Dates**

**AUGUST**
- Monday 11th - Girls Knockout Touch Football 12-3pm
- Thursday 14th Boys Knockout Touch Football
- Friday 15th - Duncan Ball – Author visit
- 18-22nd August- Book Week
- Friday 22nd –Book Week Gathering (5/6 hosting) 2-2:30pm
- Friday 22nd -Parents and Friends Morning Tea
- Friday 25th -Book Fair begins

Thank you Mrs Tasik for all your support with the Chocolate Fundraiser for the 5/6 Lake Ainsworth Excursion. We really appreciate all your organisation.

**Students from the 2015 5/6 class**

Congratulations to our recipients: Anneika, Liam, Chelsey, Allen, Kate, Kadyn and Hayden.

Murray Cox
Principal

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**P and C Notices**

P and C will be having a Morning Tea for all parents on Friday 22nd August at Newling. All welcome.

A Father’s Day Raffle has been organised and will be drawn at the Gathering Friday 5th September. Tickets are attached to today’s Newsletter.

Next P and C meeting: Monday 1st September at 2pm.

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**ZONE ATHLETICS**

On Friday 8th August, 21 students from Newling attended the Zone Athletics Carnival at Armidale High School. Everybody was excited and ready to participate in their events. We had an enthusiastic cheer squad of parents, sisters and brothers and of course teachers. Our home base was the Newling Gazebo which provided us with much needed shade. Every student completed with big smiles on their faces and certainly did Newling proud.

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Congratulations to Kate, Kadyn and Caitlin of K/P for ALWAYS returning Home Readers and Homework.
K/1P received their XO’s on Friday. Very excited!

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**Book Fair!**

25—28th August

Please make sure you get in to have a look at the great selection of books between the above dates.

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**Week 5**

**SRC Trivia competition question:**

What is the colour of the Confidence Key?

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Happy Birthday to:
Edward 11th
Hayden 17th
KIDS CLUB

To assist with catering and programs, if your child is registered and will not be at Kids Club on any Wednesday, parents are asked to contact the co-ordinator Janice Chapman on 0422411067.

ABSENTEE NOTE

(To be returned to Classroom Teacher first day back after absence)

STUDENT’S NAME........................................... .... Class ............ Date of Absence/ ........................................

Reason for Absence

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Signature of Parent/Caregiver ............................................. Date.............................................