Assembly
This week’s assembly will be at 2:00pm in the hall. We will hold our Maths Championship finals at assembly.

Maths Championships
Congratulations to the children who will compete in the Maths Championships this Friday, 27th March at 2pm in the school hall.

Kindergarten - Xanthia, Erin, Chloe, Evie, Christopher
Stage 1 - Joseph W, Joseph D, Reuben, Alice
Stage 2 - Arlo, Owen, Madeleine, Christian
Stage 3 - Tommy C, Finn, Hayley, Kane, Levi

School Photos
School photos are to be taken this Thursday, 26th March by Newcastle School Portraits. Individual school photo envelopes were given to students last Wednesday. Family Group Photo envelopes can be collected from the office. Photos will commence from 9.00am and run throughout the day.

This year parents will have the option of paying online for their photo orders. A specialised code features on the front of the order envelope.

No money or change is given by the office in relation to the photo shoot.

All envelopes with the correct money inside are handed to the photographers on the day.
No money comes in before the 26th March.

ZONE CROSS COUNTRY
Good luck to our zone representatives for this Friday. Miss Boyle will be there on the day.

EASTER EGG HUNT & COLOURING COMPETITION
Our annual Easter Egg hunt and colouring competition will be held on Hat Parade Day, Tuesday, 31st March.

Students will colour their picture at school between lunch and recess, then come out into the playground at about 1.00pm to hunt for “hidden eggs”.

Students need to bring in $2 in an envelope with their name on it by this Friday, 27th March and put it in the Easter Basket in the office for Mrs Bradley.

EASTER EGG DONATIONS
The P & C draw the Easter Egg raffle at the end of the Easter Hat parade on Tuesday, 31st March. This is a great finish to the hat parade.

To continue our tradition of having many wonderful prizes, it would be appreciated if you could donate an Easter egg, rabbit, chocolate, baskets etc. These items may be left in your child’s classroom. The P & C appreciate all donations.

Yellow Anzac ribbon badges will be on sale for $2 on Tuesday, 31st March when we hold our Easter Hat Parade and can be worn at the dawn service.
Crazy Hair Day
Our Crazy Hair Day (raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation) raised $199.10, this included a most generous donation of $50.05 from Lainey, 2J, and her family who donated the money that was in the wishing well in their fairy garden. Thank you very much to everyone who participated.

Canteen Roster
30th March - Sonya Thompson
1st April - Jo Hughes
3rd April - Mel Keegan, Danae Norrish
Good Friday
Library News
Premiers Reading Challenge
A frequently asked question regarding the PRC is:

Can I read more than one title in a book series? Many book series, trilogies and quartets have been included on the PRC booklists. A full list of approved series is available on the PRC website. Students are limited in the number of books they can read from each series to encourage them to experience a wide range of books and authors. In a series on the PRC booklist, any two books from the series can be read as PRC books. Up to five other books from the same series can be read as Personal Choice books.

CLASSROOM REMINDERS

YEAR 5/6

Canberra Expression of Interest
Canberra expression of interest notes were sent home with children on Friday. These notes are due back to the school office by Wednesday 1st April. If your child is attending a $50 deposit is also required at this time.

Reminder for Year 5 and 6 – 60TH ANZAC Schools Ceremony at Civic Theatre
Please bring in your permission notes and $4.50 so that you can come along to the 60th Anzac Service at Civic Theatre on April 22. Notes and money to the office please.

Guitar Lessons
Friday guitar lessons for next week only, will be moved to Wednesday 1st April from 2 - 3.00pm due to Friday being a Public Holiday.

Special $5 Lunch Order Day
On Thursday 2nd April the canteen will be offering a special lunch order day. For $5 there will be a choice of two sandwiches, four juices and an Easter Treat. Orders are to be returned to the canteen by this Friday 27th March and the money to be paid on the day.

ANZAC DAY INFORMATION

ANZAC day this year falls on Saturday, 25th April 2015.

To clear up any confusion, this is the Public Holiday and not Monday 27th April as appears on some calendars.

CANTEEN NEWS

Parents, please remember to write your child’s order on a paper bag and have the correct money inside when they hand their lunch bag into the canteen before 9.00am.

Please do not put the order and money in an envelope as the lunch order is put into the paper bag for the child’s lunch and obviously will not fit in an envelope.

Bags of 20 are available at IGA and any supermarket for a reasonable price.

P&C Helpers
Helpers are needed to wrap the Easter Egg donations for the raffle prizes. Please meet at 9am in the hall, the morning of the parade. Thank you.

Special $5 Lunch Order Day, Thursday 2nd April

Name: ………………………………………………………………………………….. Class: ………….

Circle one sandwich:  
Ham and Cheese  
Chicken and Lettuce

Circle one juice:  
Apple  
Apple-Blackcurrant  
Orange  
Tropical

To be handed to the canteen by Friday 27th March and paid on the day in a brown paper bag.
How much water do children need?

The amount of fluid that children need varies between individual children. The older the child, the more fluid they need. Children should drink approximately 1–1½ litres of fluid a day.

Children will need more when they are physically active and on hot and humid days. Water is the best drink – for both children and adults – in all situations.

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Hamilton Anzac Day Dawn Service

100th ANZAC Day Anniversary Invitation Gregson Park

Merewether-Hamilton RSL Sub Branch would like to invite students, parents and staff to attend the 100th Anniversary of Anzac Day at the Hamilton Dawn Service at Gregson Park on 25th April, 2015.

Anzac Dawn Services have been held in Gregson Park, Hamilton since 1922.

Everyone is welcome to participate in the march from Beaumont St to Gregson Park. Those wishing to march, will need to form up on the corner of Tudor and Beaumont St at 5.00am. Marshalls will be in attendance to assist.

If you just wish to attend the service please make your way to Gregson Park prior to 5.15am. The service begins at 5.30am and is completed just on sunrise.

A sausage sizzle along with tea and coffee will be served, for a gold donation, at Hamilton PS which is just across the road from Gregson Park at the completion of the service.

If you have any questions please call David Jack on 0447902352.
Thursday 26th March  Whole School Photos
Friday 27th March  Zone Cross Country
Tuesday 31st March  Easter Hat Parade/Easter Egg hunt/Raffle
Friday 3rd April  Good Friday—School Holidays commence
Tuesday 21st April  Students return for Term 2
Tuesday 21st April  Paul Harragon Cup
Wednesday 22nd April  Year 5/6 attend Anzac Service, Civic Theatre
Saturday 25th April  Anzac Day Dawn Service—Gregson Park

12th—14th May  NAPLAN testing for Years 3 and 5
Monday 27th July  K-6 Excursion to Civic Theatre

COMMUNITY NEWS

$1000 FREE KIDS DENTAL * WITH THE CHILD DENTAL BENEFITS SCHEDULE!

Great news, the Child Dental Benefits Schedule continues in 2015! The Commonwealth Government dental scheme provides eligible children with a $1000 free kids dental benefit* on selected dental services within a 2 year calendar period.

In 2014 many families were surprised that they were eligible for the free $1000 benefit*. To gain access to benefits, children must be eligible for Medicare, must be between 2 and 17 years of age for at least 1 day of the calendar year with the child or parent, guardian or carer receiving Family Tax Benefit Part A or another relevant government payment.

Not sure if your kids are eligible? Contact your local Pacific Smiles Dental Centre, have your Medicare card ready and they can easily check to see if your kids are eligible or have remaining benefits from 2014.

Information provided by Pacific Smiles Dental: visit pacificsmilesdental.com.au for further information.

*Free when services covered by the Commonwealth Government’s Child Dental Benefits Schedule are bulk billed by participating Practitioners for treatments proved to eligible patients.
PLEASE SUPPORT LEVI MURRAY WHO IS
BRAVE ENOUGH TO DO THE

HAIR “SHAVE OFF”

Sunday 12\textsuperscript{th} April

This will be held at: **Spinnakers Leisure Park**

687 Pacific Highway Belmont

Starts at 12 noon

Finishes at 3pm

GOLD COIN DONATION ON ARRIVAL
to raise money for **The Leukaemia Foundation**

There will be Raffles, - Face Painting, - Hair Colouring, - Entertainment – Barefoot Bowls and Lucky door prizes