School Times
Teachers are on duty in the playground from 8:30am and there is no supervision provided by the school prior to this time. Students needing to be at school before 8:30 should be enrolled in OOSH. We have had issues with students being in the COLA before 8:30 and wanting to play. Some have been quite disrespectful when a teacher spoke to them about the need to sit quietly and wait for the bell. Students who do not follow school expectations will have consequences for their behaviour.

Staff Parking
The two carparks on school grounds are for staff parking only. When you are dropping off or picking up your child, please use the drop off zones out on the street. The carpark entries are not designed for a continuous flow of in and out traffic. Parents using these carparks are creating a Work Health Safety issue. We thank you for your cooperation in not using these carparks.

2015 Art Show Opening
Our school Art Show will be officially opened in the hall next Wednesday 26th August at 6:30 pm and will finish at 8:30 pm. The senior choir will perform at the official opening. Tea, coffee and cakes will be available from the canteen from 6:15 pm. Please bring along a gold coin donation to support our school. We are looking forward to showcasing the talents of our students to the community.

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See the photo on the extended version of the newsletter available on the school website.

Belair School Ball
Tickets for our great school fundraiser the Belair Spring Ball can be purchased from the office. It's a fabulous night out, with a relaxed atmosphere, great food, live music and plenty of dancing. This year we have gone without the seating plan; instead a Cocktail Theme, giving more time to mingle, dance and chat. As always there will be amazing prizes to be won with raffles, lolly bags and even some funny school trivia! Tickets are $65 pp, 7 pm till midnight at the Harbourview Function Centre. Visit our Belair Spring Ball Facebook page for details about prizes, venue, music and food.

P&C Meeting
The P&C members will be meeting tomorrow night at 7 pm. A representative from Kookaburra Suppliers will be attending the meeting to demonstrate new school technology. If you are interested why not come along and see what's on offer.

Onewalk – Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation fundraising event
We have students in our school who have type 1 diabetes and there are other families who are affected by diabetes in one way or another. From the Diabetes Australia website come these facts:

- 280 Australians develop diabetes every day. That's one person every five minutes
- It is the fastest growing chronic condition in Australia
- More than 100,000 Australians have developed diabetes in the past year
- For every person diagnosed with diabetes there is usually a family member or carer who also 'lives with diabetes' every day in a support role. This means that an estimated 2.4 million Australians are affected by diabetes every day
- In 2013, diabetes caused 5.1 million deaths globally.

Alex W (Yr 2) and Abigail W (K) will be walking 5 km in October to raise funds for Type 1 diabetes research. The JDRF research strategy focuses on curing, treating and preventing Type 1 diabetes. Alex and Abigail are giving a short presentation about what they are doing to the K-2 assembly this week.

If you would like to donate to this cause, please go to http://walk.jdrf.org.au and click ‘donate’. Then search for "Whittaker walkers". Thank you for your support.
THANK YOU!

We wish to thank the Merewether Bowling Club for their very generous donation of a fridge for our staffroom. This has been a wonderful help to our school. Why not visit their website to see their great deals. Thank you!

Sport News

During July, the Emerging Jets combined with North Coast to send a team of young soccer players to Japan to represent Australia in the International Junior Sataima Tournament. We competed against some of the best junior teams in Japan. Our team played exceptionally well and gained valuable international experience playing against some of the best players in the world for their age. I had a great time playing against world class competitors and it definitely was an experience of a lifetime.

By: Jaxon A 6B

Regional Premier’s Spelling Bee

Daimon W, Elizabeth L, Alex N, and Jack N will compete at the Regional Premier’s Spelling Bee on 8 September at Hamilton PS. We would like to wish them all the best!

Uniform Survey

If you wish to respond to the Uniform Survey it will be closing on Friday 28/8/15.

Recycling Batteries

Our Year 6 students have been involved in developing sustainability projects. One idea is to collect used alkaline batteries for recycling. There is a box in the office where you can leave your used batteries and the Year 6 students will organise for these to be taken to a recycling depot.

Student Awards

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Absent Notes

When your child is returning to school after an illness etc, you can send a note from home or use our Skoolbag App. You don’t need to get a form from the office to notify your child’s teacher.

P&C News

P&C Meeting: our next meeting is to be held tomorrow night at 7pm. All welcome!

Father’s Day Stall ~ 2nd September: We have some wonderful gifts for sale for that special man in your child’s life. Some examples are: magnetic photo frames, crime novels, key rings, tools, stationary and wheelie bin cricket stump stickers. All gifts are $5. We still need volunteers for the day. So far we have only had 3 people volunteer. We will be suppling cuppas and biscuits to our helpers. If anyone can help, please phone Katrina Johnson on 0408 442 762 or meet at the hall at 9am.

Canteen Roster

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Canteen Supervisor Sonja 0438 684 401

Canteen News

Sushi orders need to be in tomorrow for Thursday lunches. If we do not get at least 20 orders unfortunately we will not be able to provide this service.

Upcoming Events

- 19/8 P&C Meeting at 7pm
- 24/8–28/8 Belair Education Week / Art Show and Book Week Celebrations
- Book Fair Opens
- 24/8 GATS Cluster Day ~ selected students
- 26/8 NPBS Maths Competition
- Belair School Art Show
- Choir to perform
- 28/8 Book Week Celebrations
- Picnic Lunch
- Dance Groups to perform
- Regional Athletics Carnival
- 2/9 Father’s Day Stall
- Year 5 Parent Meeting ~ School Hall at 4.30pm
- 4/9 Belair Spring Ball ~ evening event
- 8/9 Canteen RED DAY
- 9/9 Tocal Excursion ~ Stage 1
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- Public Speaking Regional Finals
- 17/9 Year 6 Winter Sleep out ~ 6pm approx

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If you have visited Westfield Kotara recently you would have noticed a monster crane sitting on ‘The Rooftop’. A section of the car park is being transformed into an entertainment and dining venue that will feature a unique open-aired landscape garden, showcasing restaurants never before seen in Newcastle. The Rooftop extensions are well under way and set to be revealed as soon as November 2015.

The development will also include a world class eight screen cinema complex.

Westfield Kotara Centre Manager Mr Ryan Burns said changes were happening because “we needed to provide customers with a new experience.” Along with restaurants and a cinema, The Rooftop will feature: lush gardens, comfortable seating areas, space for entertainers and a playground right out of every kid’s dreams.

The inspiration for development comes from a desire to make Westfield Kotara THE PLACE that people come for shopping, dining and entertainment. The goal is to create a space like no other in Newcastle or the Hunter region.

Work on The Rooftop is progressing well. Mr Burns said, “I have been impressed by the amount of work that has been done in such a short period of time.” Currently the work is ahead of schedule and Mr Burns cannot foresee any problems that will interfere with the opening in late November 2015.

In the lead up to the Grand Opening of the new rooftop precinct, Westfield will promote the event through social media and other media channels. Residents of Newcastle should keep their eyes out in coming months for special events and promotions.
Community News

Nippers at Merewether Surf Life Saving Club (MSLSC)
We have a fantastic program starting in October this year run by a dedicated team of volunteers. At MSLSC the emphasis is on having fun whilst developing confidence and important surf safety skills at our beautiful beach. For registrations please visit:  www.merewetherslsc.com.au

Mental Health Carers ARAFMI Hunter Inc
if you are a carer of someone with a mental illness and feel you could benefit from a counselling support call from one of our trained volunteers simply call: (02) 4961 6717.

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