Newington College



WYVERN SPORT TERM 3 - WEEK 9, 2013

2014 Summer Sport Preference Survey

By now all the Summer Sport Preference Surveys should all have been returned to your son's classroom teacher or Mr Wilson. If this has not been done, can you please return these slips by tomorrow at the very latest.

NSWCIS Primary Athletics Championships 2013- SOPAC 11 September

The 2013 NSWCIS athletics carnival saw Atticus Bertrams 5D and Bili Robertson 3P representing IPSHA as well as Newington Prep. The wonderful day of athletic competition at SOPAC in Homebush saw Atticus Bertrams competing in the Junior Discus and Shot Put. Atticus met a very competitive field in both events but he was right in amongst it. He came 10th out of 27 in the Discus with a throw of 23.14m. The Shot Put was a bit of a nail biter for Mum and Dad and Granny in the stands. Again there were 27 competitors and he made it to the final 5! The end result was Atticus finishing a fantastic 4th with a throw of 9m, a mere 5cm separating 3rd and 4th!! Bili Robertson competed in the 9 years 200m event. With Bili being the current CIS cross-country champion, this distance may be short of his best. But to Bili's credit he finished with a super placing in his heat & 11th overall, demonstrating his running adaptability and true potential for athletics. The great thing was the obvious camaraderie between the boys from schools all over the state, they had a ball and with a bit of training and best effort, they can look forward to catching up again next year.

Wyvern Captain of Athletics/Cross Country 2013

Congratulations to Joshua Macdessi on being chosen as Wyvern's Captain of Athletics / Cross Country for 2013. Joshua has made a tremendous contribution to both athletics and cross country at Wyvern over several years. This year he has had a wonderful season in winning the 12 Years age championship for cross country and representing the school at IPSHA level in both athletics and cross country. Joshua always gives 100% effort and represents Newington with pride. He is indeed a worthy recipient of this title for 2013

Newington Preparatory Schools' K – 2 Athletics Carnival

A blustery but fine morning greeted the Newington Prep School's K-2 athletics competitors at Old Boys on Wednesday morning. Many of the competitors had been working on their athletic prowess during GMS and PE. This was an opportunity to show all how far they have progressed and how much they enjoy healthy activity. Whilst the wind was an annoyance for spectators, it did not stop the K-2 boys from enjoying the day. In fact it provided the perfect tailwind for many competitors as the track was set alight with scorching sprints and relays. The discus was never thrown further with the use of the breeze. Coloured discs flew through the air, although a little wayward at times, the audience enduring some narrow escapes. The fizzing sound of the vortex/javelin gave great enjoyment to the crowd as the young Newington competitors sent them into orbit. Shot puts were pushed long and high with even a few grunts heard for that extra competitive edge from some kindergarten throwers. In a most fitting event for the K-2 carnival, the sack races drew the most raucous observers, perhaps as competition met comedy when unflattering falls are heralded just as much as exceptional sack jumping.

Tennis – Newington Inter-House Tennis Singles Championship

This year the Newington Preparatory Schools' Inter-House Tennis Singles Championship will be held on Saturday 14 September at the Newington Senior School tennis courts (9:00am – 1:00pm). This tennis championship is open to all boys in Years 3-6 from both the Wyvern and Lindfield campuses. However, numbers participating in this competition will be restricted.

Entry: Any boys who wish to compete in this 'Open' competition must first check with their parents and then they need to fill out a permission note which can be collected from Mr Martin. This note must then be returned to Mr Martin. It must be returned by Friday 6th September to indicate your son's availability for the event. Please remember that the Championship is a Saturday morning. A final confirmation of entry will be sent home prior to the event to notify the boys who are required to play. Unfortunately not all entries can be successful and preference will be given to boys in the higher grades.

Uniform and Equipment: Boys will be required to wear House Polo shirt, shorts & runners as well as provide their own tennis racquet.

Format: There will be a round robin competition to begin with. Boys will play 5×10 minute matches with the number of games won recorded. The winner of the most games in each pool will progress to the knockout draw to determine an overall singles champion and runner up.

The standard of competition will be challenging and it should be an absorbing battle to see which House will be the Champion House for 2013 and who will be this year's individual tennis champion.

Newington Inter-House Biathlon

The Newington Preparatory Schools' Inter-House Biathlon will be held on Saturday 14th September at the Newington Senior School pool (7:00am start). It involves a 400m swim followed by a 1600m run.

Entry: Any boys who wish to compete in this 'Open' competition must first check with their parents and then they need to fill out a permission note which can be collected from Mr Martin or the Sports Notice Board near the canteen. This note must then be returned to Mr Martin. It must be returned by Friday 6th September to indicate your son's availability for the event. Please remember that the Championship is on a Saturday morning. A final confirmation of entry will be sent home prior to the event to notify the boys who are required.

Wyvern Summer and Winter Inter-House **Competition Years 3 – 6**

Over the past few weeks, the 2013 Wyvern House sport matches were held. All boys competed in 6 different sports to find the champion house in each. The completion of the penultimate round saw a number of houses evenly poised to become champions of a sport. In fact in cricket there were only 3 runs separating all 4 houses with the final round to play. It was great to see all boys participate, striving to achieve in order for their house to become victorious. All boys are to be commended on their sportsmanship and fair play.

Results

The Edmonds Shield (House Rugby) Coates The Barlow Trophy (House Soccer) Coates The Richardson Shield (House Cricket) Lucas House Basketball Coates Williams The Phil Holey Trophy (House Tennis) House Softball Coates

Winter Sport Awards Assembly

This year our winter sports awards assembly will be held on Friday 13 September in Wyvern Hall at 2.00pm. Letters will be sent home prior to the assembly informing parents if their child will be receiving an award. Parents are welcome to attend.

Year 2 Basketball Skill Development Program in Term 4 for Year 2

During Term 4, David Lawrence (our external support coach) has offered to run a skill development session for boys in Year 2 who have nominated to play basketball in Term 1 next year. This skill based session will be aimed at helping to prepare the boys with the basic skills of basketball. The session is also aimed at helping the boys to gain an understanding of the rules prior to commencing inter-school sport in Term 1, 2014.

A free session will held for all Year 2 boys playing basketball next year, in week 1 of Term 4 on Thursday 10 October. Venue will be at Wyvern on Playground A

Following this session, Mr Lawrence will run sessions on Thursday 17, 24, 31 October and Thursday 7, November.

These 4 sessions will run from 3:15 - 4:30pm at a total cost of \$60 per student.

If you are interested in your son participating in this Basketball Skill Development program, please return the permission note (available from Spaces) to Mr Wilson.

Swimming Squad

Swim squad will recommence week 2 of Term 4 on Tuesday the 15th of October. It will continue each Tuesday and Thursday morning until Thursday 28 November. Positions are limited to 32 students in Term 4. Priority will be given to those boys who have trained with the swim squad all year. Any additional positions will be offered to students on a first in with permission note, first served basis. The Senior School Swimming Squad train in the pool at the same time during Term 4 and those boys moving on to the Senior School next year will have the opportunity to continue their swimming with this squad.

Fivers

The following flyers can be collected from the display unit near the front office.

Term 4 Swim Squad

Shining Stars

- Simon Latham, 5C, was part of the • Hunters Hill Rugby U11 Blacks who won their U11 A2 Grand Final over the 'Fathers' Day' weekend. The team was originally graded in the B division, but due to amazing performances at the beginning of the season were re-graded into the A division. They finished in 6th place, and participated in the A2 Grand Final after winning their semi-final last week with a nail-biting finish. They scored the winning try to seal victory by one point on the full time whistle. The Grand Final was a more comprehensive win, scoring 3 tries and one conversion, to the Western Sydney Raptors single unconverted try. Congratulations to you and your team Simon.
- If your son has had some successful sporting achievements outside of school, I would love to hear from you. They can be shared with the Wyvern community through this "Shining Stars" section of the Wyvern.

Coming Up

- Friday 13 September Winter Sports Awards Assembly
- Saturday 14 September NCP Biathlon 7:00 - 8:30am

- Saturday 14 September NCP inter-House Tennis Championship 9:00am – 1:00pm
- Saturday 21 September Newington Prep New Zealand Rugby and Football tour depart.
- Saturday 12 October Round 7 2013 Summer sport (1st round Term 4
- Tuesday 15 October Milo Cup Cricket State Finals

Mr Neil Brunton Wyvern Sportsmaster