

# North Beach Primary School Board



## School Board Newsletter, Term 4, 2016

I know we all seem to say this at this time of the year, but where has this year gone? We are in the last 6 weeks of the school year and Christmas is approaching at lightning speed. So much has been achieved by our wonderful school community this year, and we still have lots to do!

At the last Board meeting, the Board discussed and reviewed the following items:

### IPS Review

All Independent Public Schools are subject to review every three years by the Department of Education. The next review of the NBPS Board and School is scheduled for March 2017. The review will focus on the school's achievements by improving student learning and sharing its vision with the community.

### NAPLAN Results

NAPLAN results are in, and NBPS has met 11 out of 15 of the targets (as measured against like schools in both progress and achievement) – an excellent result. The results were reviewed at the Board meeting, and the school continues to focus on improving in the areas where the targets weren't met. The overall result is one of the best achieved by the school and we should all be very proud of this achievement!

### School Board Survey for Parents, Students and Staff

You will have seen the advice in the latest newsletter, and hopefully received the survey in your email inbox. This survey is a national initiative, and an extremely valuable tool for the school to receive feedback from parents, children and school staff.

The survey is confidential, and only takes about 10 minutes to complete. We really value your feedback, and the results are reviewed by the Board and used to guide decisions about a range of issues that affect the students in their daily life at school.

I would encourage all parents to take the time to complete the survey. If you haven't received your survey, please email Sue Logan at [susan.logan@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:susan.logan@education.wa.edu.au)

### Multi-tasking Board Members!

Our very own Charlotte Ellery is conducting an exciting 2 hour workshop with the Year 6 students in Week 7. They will be learning all about their own brain chemistry. Students will come away with a practical understanding of the four basic brain chemicals and what it feels like when these chemicals go up and down. They will learn how to hack their happy chemicals and get their brains in the learning zone for high school.

It is fantastic to see our Board members sharing their (varied) talents with the wider school community. The workshop sounds fantastic and I'm sure the students will be all the more prepared for the transition to high school - a big 'thank you' from the School Board, Charlotte!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, interest in the Board or would like to provide any feedback, please contact me at [kelster456@gmail.com](mailto:kelster456@gmail.com).

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