



Nemingha Public School

NEWSLINK

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YOUR PRINCIPAL WRITES:

This year has been a very special one—there have been many exciting occasions and events in which the school has had the opportunity to shine. The talent and commitment from the parents/carers through to the students, teachers and staff once again has made this an outstanding school. It has renewed the sense of pride in the capacity of everyone to deliver excellent results and achievements.

We embarked on a journey in the performing arts that was two years in the making with the production of 'Alice In Wonderland'. It took us along the path of creativity, singing, acting and dancing to the antics of Alice wondering through the awe inspiring kingdom of Wonderland. It was a tribute to the team work of everyone involved.

Two external awards were presented for our E-POWER projects. One from Namoi Sustainable Living-'Let's Reduce Our Footprint' and the other from Tamworth Regional Sustainable Community Awards.

The school shone in the New England Region by being presented the 'Excellence in Teaching and Learning' Award. To win, this required dedication and commitment and demonstration at the highest level of quality in teaching. The artistic talents of our students were promoted when Art works were selected to be exhibited as finalists in prestigious Operation Art and Neram competitions.

Student welfare and wellbeing was greatly enhanced with the introduction of the 'You Can Do It' program. Some of the results that are already apparent include increased skills in determination, persistence, resilience, co-operation, getting along and a stronger sense of values.

Nemingha Public School has continued to strive with innovation in technology and curriculum. Our strategic direction has been to introduce the connected classroom and high order thinking applications. Students have interacted using a range of programs to enhance their IT skills and capacity. Teachers have collaborated and developed new and exciting approaches to engage

students in the state of the art technologies and ensure our students are equipped for the 21st Century.

This year's NAPLAN results in reading were well above state average for Year 5 and at state level for Year 3. Students have been inspired with reading and literacy through the school's explicit approaches to teaching and learning. In Numeracy the Year 5 results were exceptional in particular the growth rate from Year 3 to Year 5.

Congratulations to the sporting stars for their outstanding achievements at school, district, region and state levels in swimming, cross country, athletics and PSSA which included soccer, touch football, netball, cricket and softball. At each level of competition the children displayed good sportsmanship and excellent level of physical ability.

We recognize and thank members of the school community who have worked tirelessly over the year helping in many areas. They have helped with class activities, the concert, contributed to P&C, School Council and school projects. Thank you for your support.

Congratulations to our new School Captains for 2012 Bradley Cameron and Veronica Klepzig and Vice Captains, Matthew Corney and Lauren Barling. All the Year 5 students who presented at the Captains 2012 Speech Assembly last Friday are to be commended for the high standards and we look forward to their leadership next year.

Well done Nemingha Public School for an exceptional year of academic, performing and sporting success. Nemingha 'You're Amazing!' We had an excellent attendance at our annual Presentation Night last night. It was wonderful that we were able to use our new hall and that everyone was able to be seated and hear all the items.

I wish you all a happy and safe Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Aurora Reilly
Principal

Classroom Corner

Kindergarten

Our end of year K-2 party is on next Wednesday. Please make sure all notes and money are in by the end of this week.

A big thank you is extended to the Year 6 buddies for the wonderful help and guidance they have given the Kinder students this year. They have certainly made the first year of school an enjoyable one for the Kindergarten children.

I can hardly believe the year is coming to an end. It has been a privilege to have taught your children. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents for their help and support. I have enjoyed my time at Nemingha and wish everyone a very happy Christmas and safe holiday.

Denise Barnes

K-1

As this will be our last Newslink for 2011, I would like to thank all the parents who have been helping their child at home with their reading and homework this year. It has helped every one of them to progress. Could I ask all parents to continue reading practise through the holidays so that their child continues to develop further skills. Readers are due back at school now so that we can stocktake.

Next Wednesday will be our party day and children can wear mufti.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy and safe Christmas and a wonderful 2012.

Kym Dwyer

Year 1-2

As another year draws to a close I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support during 2011. It has been a wonderful experience watching your children learn new things and develop their own skills. A huge thanks to all the parents, grandparents and friends who have helped Year 1/2 throughout the year, without your support many of our

interesting events could not take place.

Our class is busy preparing for the end of year celebrations along with the rest of the school.

Next week is the K-2 class party. Again casual clothes can be worn. The children are all looking forward to working together with the other classes and practising the dances we have been learning in PE.

Finally I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and I look forward to seeing you all back in 2012.

Leanne Kemp

Year 2

The huck-a-back placemats the children are making are coming along nicely and hopefully should be finished by the end of this week. A small border of fabric then needs to be added to the edges. The children are very proud of their efforts and I have been impressed with their ability to create the patterns.

We will be spending the last few weeks revising spelling and grammar skills, and making sure that we know how to write high-frequency words accurately. We are also writing descriptions of characters from the novel 'Charlotte's Web'.

The children are learning more about local and Australian heritage and culture. They have discussed special activities and celebrations that take place in Tamworth and Australia. The children drew some fabulous pictures of the New Year's Day fireworks on Sydney Harbour.

We are looking forward to our party day next Wednesday. Please ensure that your note and money have been sent in.

Thanks again for your kind donations of goodies for our Charity Day Bottle Stall. The Tamworth Children's Hospital is certainly a worthwhile cause.

As this is the last Newslink before the end of the year I would like to thank you for your support this year and wish all of you a safe and happy summer holiday.

Vanessa Fox



Year 3

It was wonderful to see everyone at presentation evening last night. Congratulations to Stage 2 on a wonderful performance.

A huge thank you to all those who sent in prizes for charity day.

Next Wednesday Year 3 and 4 will be having our party day. This is a great way for us to celebrate the hard work and great behaviour of the children throughout the year. We will be going to the movies to see 'Puss in Boots' and then onto the park for a picnic lunch and games. Children should bring their own picnic lunch.

I have had a wonderful time working with Year 3 for semester 2. I would like to wish all the students good luck in year 4 next year. Hoping your families all have a wonderful and safe Christmas.

Amanda Price

Year 4

For 'Party Day' Year 4 and Year 3 will be going to the movies to see the new release 'Puss in Boots'. It should be a 'fun day out', and a reward for all the hard work and dedication the students have demonstrated this year. A reminder that permission notes and money are due to the office as soon as possible.

Year 4 has had a fantastic year. Thank you to everyone who has visited our classroom, attended our assembly items, donated time to class events or supported us in other ways. On a personal note I have really enjoyed the year teaching at Nemingha Public School and would like to commend my class on the commitment, enthusiasm and caring attitude they have continually demonstrated this year. I wish Year 4 all the very best as they move into Year 5 next year.

Kate Armstrong

Year 5

As the school year draws to end year 5 continue to be extremely busy as we prepare for Presentation Night, and the Year 6 Farewell . It is important that all Year 5 students attend the Year 6 Farewell as hosts, as next year it will be their

turn to be guest of Year 5.

It would be greatly appreciated if anyone is able to offer assistance in setting up the hall on Sunday morning at 10am and packing up the hall on Tuesday morning after the farewell. Many hands make light work.

Thank you to Mr Noel Klepzig for making strikers for the percussion triangles.

WOW. I was absolutely blown away with the quality of the Captains Speeches last Friday. Each and every student is a leader and an excellent role models for younger students. Well done Year 5.

I have had a wonderful and memorable year teaching your children. Thank you to everyone for a great year and may you all have a safe and enjoyable Christmas and a happy New Year. I look forward to seeing you all next year.

Tracy Gooch

Year 6

Year 6 students are all looking forward to the various events that are happening at the school over the next week or so.

The farewell dinner and dance is next week on Monday evening starting with group and individual photographs at 5.30pm. The photos taken will be put on their thumb drives over the last few days of next week. Parents are reminded that dress for the evening should be neat and tidy.

A note regarding the end of year class party went home during the week. Pizzas will be ordered Wednesday morning so the \$5 payment from children who have ordered pizza is needed by Monday, 12th December.

As this is the last Newlink for the year I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the children in Year 6 the very best for the start of their high school education. The year has certainly provided them with many opportunities to grow and experience success at many different levels. May you all have a safe and restful Christmas.

Phil Bellis

Canteen News

As the year draws to a close, there is limited stock available. A menu for your convenience is as follows;

Hot Dogs
Party Pies
Chicken Nuggets
Chicken 'n' Gravy Rolls
Chicken Burgers
Ham and Cheese Sandwiches

Icy Bites
Chocolate and Banana Moosies
Sea Sale Chips
Popcorn
Orange and Blackcurrant Juice Cups
Tropical and Blackcurrant LOL's
Water
Milo

We are receiving an increasing number of foreign coins. These are not accepted at the bank and we can not accept them.

The canteen will be open for cold drinks and icy bites on Wednesday 14th December but will NOT be open on the last day of term 16th December.

A huge thank you to all our happy volunteers for 2011. /we gave had a great year.

Mariko Batho
Canteen Co-Ordinator

FOUND

A pair of pierced earrings has been found at the front gate of the school if you think they may be yours please come to the school office to identify them.

P&C Fundraising News

Thank you to everyone who donated cakes and slices for the sausage sizzle at HBS earthmoving. We raised just over \$1,000.00 on this day. The day could not have happened without the very hard working mums that helped, thank you to Tracey Rizzi, Kim-Louise Patterson, Melanie Sanbrook and Bernie Wood. It was a long busy day but was definitely worth it. A big thank you to Mrs Hempstead for giving us this opportunity and to Pickles Auctions for donating the sausages and bottles of water.

It has been a very busy & profitable year for fundraising. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the helpers for their time and donations in 2011.

On a sadder note, unfortunately there are still chocolate monies outstanding. Please ensure these are returned immediately.

Cheryl Parker
Fundraising Co-ordinator

CLOTHING POOL

WOW! Only 2 more Clothing Pool dates till holidays!!!

Monday 12th 9-10am
Friday 16th 2.00-3.00pm

Have a great holiday.
Clean out those cupboards. See you in the New Year.

Friday 27th 10.00am—12.00pm

Monday January 30th 9.00-10.00am school resumes.

Karen Darling
Clothing Pool Co-Ordinator

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

The children's "Reward" prizes will be delivered next week for the children to take home.

NEMINGHA POST & NEWS

Proudly supporting
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Present this voucher for

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LOCALS SUPPORTING LOCALS



MERRY CHRISTMAS from the LIBRARY



The Year has managed to disappear so rapidly, that once again we face our much deserved Christmas holidays! We have had a fun borrowing year, with lots of new reading material. The Last Book Club has arrived. We are so grateful for your support throughout the year, as Scholastic offers the school huge book rewards that help to add to our library collection and also provide prizes for our students.

LOTS OF WONDERFUL PRIZES ARE AVAILABLE TO CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN BORROWING DURING THE YEAR AND HAVE RETURNED THEIR BOOKS. Every child will go into the draw for a **CLASS BOOK PRIZE ... AND**

THEN, into the **CHRISTMAS DRAW** for both INFANTS and PRIMARY to win Beautiful Prizes, as the main WINNERS of the competition!

The draw will be on Friday, 16th December, the last day for the children.

SO, EVERYONE, IT'S TIME TO CLEAN OUT THE CUPBOARDS AND RETURN THOSE MISSING BOOKS!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU NEEDS TO BE EXTENDED, firstly, to **the P&C** and **Mrs Reilly** for providing the generous budget to cover the purchase of Prizes, Books and Resources for our library. This in turn, with the excitement of NEW READING MATERIAL, allows the children to develop a love of literature that will stay with them forever. We endeavour to do all in our power to keep our resources up to date and thus support our classroom learning programs. Thanks everyone for your support. As we are only a two day library, our library cannot remain open all week without the support of a Teacher Roster and our wonderful Seniors.

A HUGE THANK YOU to our 2011 LIBRARY MONITORS, who provide a wonderful range of activities to nurture our students. Through their guidance and patience, they have made up competitions and games to make lunchtime library loads of fun! Well done Year 6! The whole school appreciates the caring way you have entertained the younger children. We will miss you as you move on to High School, but wish you every success as you set out on a new pathway. Our best wishes and fond regards go out to you.

Happy Reading Everyone!

REMEMBER, the FIRST CLASS to RETURN ALL their books gets an icy pole!!!



THERE'S STILL TIME!



Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Safe New Year!

Regards Jill White & Susan Ryan

STOP PRESS LIBRARY NEWS

Congratulations to Year 3 who was the class to return all library books. They have already received their prize icypoles!

Well done Year 3

LIBRARY REWARD OFFERED!

Any person who finds a MISSING Book from the library, will earn themselves a **BONUS Nemingha Chocolate!**



YUMMO!

PRESENTATION NIGHT

AWARD WINNERS FOR 2011

CLASS AWARDS

Year 1: (K/1)

Medallion:	Lachlan Spanswick	Conscientious effort in every task, every day, and commendable progress
Certificate of Merit:	Rachel Smith	For a great attitude and effort in Writing
Certificate of Merit:	Holly Austin	Conscientious effort all year
Certificate of Merit:	Harry Klepzig	For enthusiasm and great progress in Mathematics
Certificate of Merit: T	ayte Rizzi	Conscientious effort and great improvement
Sportsmanship:	Andrew Macinas	

Year 1/2

Top Academic Award for Year 1:

Medallion:	Luke Gentle	Emelyn Haling Active participation in all areas of learning
Certificate of Merit:	Thomas Lesslie	Outstanding achievement in English
Certificate of Merit:	Sol Arranz	Outstanding achievement in Mathematics
Certificate of Merit:	Abbey Greentree	Admirable achievement in all Key Learning Areas
Certificate of Merit:	Katelyn Isaac	Improved application and achievement in English
Sportsmanship:	Charlotte Miller	

Year 2:

Top Academic Award for Year 2:

Medallion:	Brianna Elliott	Isabella Cameron Outstanding attitude and classroom achievement
Certificate of Merit:	Adam Batho	Outstanding achievement in Literacy and Numeracy
Certificate of Merit:	Indianna Diss	Outstanding achievement in Literacy
Certificate of Merit:	Haymish Poore	Consistently producing high standards of work
Certificate of Merit:	Sienna O'Mally	Improvement in all subject areas
Sportsmanship:	Zoe Morris	

Year 3:

Top Academic Award

Medallion	Alexia May	Thomas Haling Excellence in Literacy and Numeracy
Certificate of Merit:	Safia Arranz	Excellence in Numeracy
Certificate of Merit:	Sophie Button	Excellence in Literacy
Certificate of Merit:	Alex Broomham	Most Improved in Reading
Certificate of Merit:	Oliver Greentree	Excellence in Science and Technology
Sportsmanship	Bella Collier	

Year 4:

Top Academic Award:

Medallion:	James Smith	Sebastian Diss Application and excellence in all KLAs
Certificate of Merit:	Benjamin Stewart	Conscientious effort in all KLAs
Certificate of Merit:	Cameron Kemp	Outstanding application and achievement in Mathematics
Certificate of Merit:	Isabella Parker	Outstanding effort in English
Certificate of Merit:	Jasmine Shumack	Excellence and consistent application in Mathematics
Sportsmanship:	Cale Bruce	

Year 5:

Top Academic Award

Medallion:	Jordan Bridge	Matthew Corney Excellent effort in all KLA's
Certificate of Merit:	Isaac May	Consistent application and achievement in all subjects
Certificate of Merit:	Brodie Parker	Excellence in Mathematics and problem solving
Certificate of Merit:	Veronica Klepzig	Consistent application and achievement in all subjects
Certificate of Merit:	Cate Batho	Commitment and excellent work ethic
Sportsmanship:	Jacob Collier	

Year 6:

Top Academic Award

Medallion:

Certificate of Merit:

Certificate of Merit:

Certificate of Merit:

Certificate of Merit:

Sportsmanship:

Olivia O'Shannessy

Caitlin Kemp

Nevada Mansfield

Brody McIntosh

Tiarn Bayliss

Georgia Martin

Karie Mayman

Excellence in all areas

Excellent achievement in Mathematics and Literacy

Excellent application to all subjects

Excellent achievement in Mathematics and Technology

Improvement in all areas

SPORTS AWARDS

Leticia Corby

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Shot Put)

Representative at North West Region Cross Country

Representative at State Cross Country

Nevada Mansfield

Representative at North West Region Netball

Hayden Murray

Representative at North West Region Swimming (100m)

Olivia O'Shannessy

Representative at North West Region Cross Country

Brodie Parker

Representative at North West Region Swimming (Butterfly 50m)

Ryland Sainsbury

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Highjump)

Jakob Brown

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Highjump and Relay)

Cale Bruce

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Indianna McDowall

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Bradley Redman

Representative at North West Region Cross Country

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Rorey Rizzi

Representative at North West Region Cross Country

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Jasmine Shumack

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Cohen Tait

Representative at North West Region Athletics (200m)

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Ellouise Fuller

Representative at North West Region Cross Country

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Lara Graham

Representative at North West Region Cross Country

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Mitchell Henderson

Representative at North West Region Athletics (Relay)

Representative at North West Region Athletics (100 metres)

SPECIAL AWARDS

Citizen of the Year

David Broomham

Sportsperson of 2011

Leticia Corby *and*

Nevada Mansfield

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Tamworth

December 2011/ January 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
<p>12</p> <p>Clothing Pool 9.00-10.00</p> <p>Year 6 Farewell Dinner 6.00pm</p> <p>Disco 7.30-9.00pm</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Students last day</p>  <p>MUFTI</p> <p>Clothing Pool 2.00-3.00pm</p>		
<p>19</p> <p>Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS</p>	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS				
January / February 2012						
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>AUSTRALIA DAY</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS Clothing Pool 10am-12pm</p>
<p>30</p> <p>Years 1-6 Students Return Term 1</p> <p>Clothing Pool 9am-10am</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Kindergarten Students Start 9.30am</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>		
<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>		
<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>SWIMMING CARNIVAL</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>		