



Nemingha Public School

NEWSLINK

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to our students who participated in the Zone Carnival on Monday. Ms Wise reported that she was very impressed with the exemplary behaviour and good sportsmanship demonstrated by all students. Congratulations also to the students who will compete at the Regional Carnival to be held in Armidale on 31st August. We wish you the best of luck in your events.

It has been a busy fortnight with Mr Phil Jones (School Education Director) visiting our school on Monday 6th August and Mr Chris Turner (Technology Advisor) visiting last Monday. Teachers and School Learning Support Officers (SLSO) have been involved in professional learning opportunities including MultiLit (Reading intervention Program), Essential Skills for Classroom Management, Instructional Leadership course and the Learning and Support Teacher (LaST) training. Learning opportunities for staff ensures we are providing the best education possible for our students.

The new cabling across the school has been completed with most computers reimaged to connect with the new T4L server. We thank Janine Parlevliet from District Office for her support and also thank the staff for their patience during this time of change.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Mrs Kristine Sharkey for enthusiastically and diligently acting in the role of Relieving Assistant Principal while Mrs Gooch has been on leave and also thank Ms Gemma Bartlett for her work with 4/5 during this time.

I draw your attention to the article in this Newslink **School Supervision in the Mornings**. As a single working mother in the nineties, I do understand the difficulties working families have regarding child care in the mornings due to our 9.30 start. Staff are on duty in NSW Public Schools 30 minutes before school starts. At Nemingha Public School that is 9.00 am. I have been told

that the school has investigated the option of changing our school hours but that this was not possible due to the inability of the bus providers to change their drop off times. It would be great if we could solve this situation together as a school community, so please pass on any suggestions you may have to the P&C and/or School Council. From my reading through DEC policies and the legal section of the DEC website, the most important information I am required to give parents is, *"that the department views parents and carers legally responsible for their children prior to (9.00 am) when supervision begins"*.

Front gates - The two small gates at the front of the school will be locked shortly after 9.30 to minimise risk to small students with a leaning towards making a quick escape during school hours. The side gate in the parents/visitors carpark will be open for late students, and parents and visitors during the school day. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Kerrel Haire
Principal

AWARDS

Congratulations to the **"You Can Do It"** award winners from Assembly 10th August

K	Maddison Betts, Jasmine Hughes
K-1	Ruby Geddes, Nate Painter
Y1-2	Holly Austin, Harry Peeters
Y2-3	Bryce Jones, Evelyn Murdoch
Y3	Caitlin Brooker, Grace Darling
Y4	Joseph Sanbrook, Ashleigh Maiden
Y4-5	Thomas Haling, Rorey Rizzi
Y5-6	Jacob Collier, Dylan Reilly



NOTELINK

Notes sent home in the last fortnight;

- P & C Inc Scholarship (Yr 5)
- Tamworth High Taster Transitional Day
- Active After School
- Fundraising Update
- P&C Fathers Day Stall
- NPS Walkathon sponsor sheets



Class Y1-2 Showcase

What a wonderful assembly item last week. Thanks to all the parents who came to support and watch.



Y1-2 has been studying the Olympics since Week 1 of this term. They have learnt about different countries and the diverse range of sports involved. They enjoyed picking a country and a sport, and learning about winning, losing, determination and commiseration. Congratulations to all students for doing an amazing job displaying their work on the Olympics. We will continue to learn about different cultures until the end of term. We will be researching, answering questions and completing a mini project.

It was great to see all students in full school uniform for the photos last week. We have been doing some spot checks in the class and awarding students with an extra bronze award for the correct uniform.

The students really enjoyed the visit from the James Ruse Agricultural High School Band. It was nice to see Charlie enjoying the drumming.



In writing, the students are learning about Expositions and Information Reports this term. They wrote some great Expositions about "Should we Have Dogs as Pets?" which were displayed during Education Week.

It is great to see that nearly every student is handing in homework and taking Home Readers home. Well done Y1-2!

It is also good to see the students trying to challenge themselves and come prepared for the new talking and listening activities which are on topics we are learning in class.

Students have been working hard in their books to keep their writing neat.

In Mathematics over the past two weeks we have been looking at chance, division and fractions. The students in Year 1 are learning the sign for division and Year 2 are revising this concept. They are also learning how a $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ is written.

The students have begun their own mini Olympics during sport time. Each group has their own Country and are awarded points at each activity.

Just a reminder that all students need to wear hats at all times when in the playground

Y 1-2 "You Can Do It " Awards this fortnight:
Holly Austin and Harry Peeters

Kristine Sharkey

The Sporting Pulse

North West PSSA Gymnastics - Congratulations to Lexi May who came second overall in the Level 2 section of the North West PSSA Gymnastics completion held at Armidale on 3rd August. 71 students from 15 schools from across the North West Region competed in the competition.

Zone Athletics — Well done to the students who took part in the Zone Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to the Boys Junior 4 x 100m relay team, the Girls Junior 4 x 100m relay team, who qualified for the Regional Carnival. Also congratulations to Safia Arranz (shot put), Ellouise Fuller (800m), Sienna O'Mally (100m

and 800m), and Mitchell Henderson (100m and 200m) who also qualified for the regionals. Thank you to the parents who were able to come, show their support and help out on the day; it was greatly appreciated.

LIBRARY NEWS

CHAMPIONS READ BOOK FAIR

MONDAY 27th to THURSDAY, 30th August,

OPEN DAILY 9am to 4pm

CLOSED 11.00 -12.30 on Parade Day

BOOK PARADE WEDNESDAY, 29th August.

Come dressed as a Champion!

Prizes Galore for no overdues!

LIBRARY CHANGE OF ROUTINE: Next Week,
ALL classes to borrow on Thursday, 23rd August.

NB. Sorry no Borrowing in Week 7, Book Fair Week.

Jill White
Librarian

Nemingha Night at the Cinema!

Year 6 Gift to the School

Friday 31st August at 7pm -"Finding Nemo 3D"

Forum 6 Cinemas Tamworth

Tickets \$15 on Sale next week only,

Limited seating available.

ADMINISTRATION

A gentle reminder that payments for the Y5-6 Canberra Excursion should be made on a regular basis as there are only 5 weeks left to finalise payments. A new invoice was issued this week.



SCHOOL SPELLING BEE—SPELL OFF

Yrs 3-6 will be competing in the Spelling Bee Spell Off tomorrow, Friday 17th August in the new hall starting at 2.00 pm.

Parents welcome

What's Cooking in the Canteen

Students who order icy bites and moosies etc, with lunch, will need to return to the canteen after eating their hot food, with lunch bags, to collect their icy bites etc, **ON THE SAME DAY.** If they don't bring their bags down, the volunteers won't know whether the items have been ordered and paid for.

When dropping off orders at the window in the mornings, can students please wait in the queue and stay there until orders, prices and money have been checked. This includes all orders, even if you think the correct money is in the bag. Any change necessary will be given at this time. It is too easy for money to go missing if it is taped on your bag.

All volunteers are reminded of the need to "sign in". This is now done in the canteen and NOT at the front office.

Don't forget, good manners go a long way. "Please" and "thankyou" are always appreciated and we would like to commend all students for their continued efforts to be mindful of this.

Volunteers for the next fortnight are:

Friday 17/8	Andrew Fogarty, Toni Petty
Monday 20/8	Bronwyn Stewart
Friday 24/8	Kim-Louise Patterson, Jacinta Shumack
Monday 27/8	Bronwyn Stewart, Mariko Batho

Marion Turner
Canteen Coordinator



School Supervision **in the mornings**

The school's supervision roster starts from 9.00am. There is no adult staff available to ensure the safety of children in the playground prior to that time. It is understood that many parents have commitments at work which require them to leave before 9.00 am. You may be able to make arrangements with friends or neighbours for the supervision of your children. Some families in the school with working parents may be able to take turns to take each other's children to school. The P&C and School Council have also been discussing and seeking alternative ideas and any suggestions you may have would be very welcome.

An area under the COLA of the new hall is being used as a quiet area in an attempt to assist parents. The number of students arriving very early has increased. It would be greatly appreciated if parents could try to make alternative arrangements to help ensure the safety of our students.

AUGUST/ SEPTEMBER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20 Clothing Pool 9.00-10.00 AAS	21	22	23 AAS	24 Clothing Pool 2.00-3.00 Assembly Y3 Item
27 Clothing Pool 9.00-10.00 AAS	28	29 <i>BOOK PARADE</i>	30 Newslink AAS	31 Regional Athletics Carnival
3 Clothing Pool 9.00-10.00 AAS	4	5 P&C Walkathon	6 AAS	7 Clothing Pool 2.00-3.00 Assembly Y5-6 Item
10 Clothing Pool 9.00-10.00 Final AAS for Term 3	11	12	13 Newslink Final AAS for Term 3	14
17 Clothing Pool 9.00-10.00 Disco 6.30—8.00pm	18	19	20	21 Clothing Pool 2.00-3.00pm

National Literacy / Numeracy Week