



Nemingha Public School

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Term 4, Week 9

9 December 2016

## Calendar - 2016

### December

Friday 9 December	<b>Christmas Lights</b> <i>P&amp;C fundraiser at 9 Gill Street, Kootingal from 8.30pm</i>
Tuesday 13 December	<b>Year 6 Farewell</b> <i>For Years 5 and 6 at West Leagues Club, 6.30pm start</i>
Wed 14 December	<b>Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4) School Camp</b>  <b>P&amp;C meeting</b> <i>7pm at the Nemingha Tavern</i>
Friday 16 December	<b>Nemingha's Got Talent</b> <i>9.30am</i> <b>Last day of Term 4</b>
19 and 20 December	<b>Staff Development Days</b>

## 2017

### January

Friday 27 January	<b>Staff Development day</b> <b>*** Clothing Pool open ***</b> <i>10am-12 noon</i>
Monday 30 January	<b>Start of Term 1</b> <i>For Years 1-6</i>

### February

Thursday 2 February	<b>Start of Term 1</b> <i>For Kindergarten</i>
Friday 10 February	<b>Swimming Carnival</b>



Nemingha Public School P&C Association would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and enjoyable school holidays.

Thank you for any support that you have given the P&C this year, and we look forward to providing many more opportunities and resources for Nemingha students in 2017.

## An outstanding year

**Congratulations to all our students for an outstanding year of learning.**

So many positive comments have been made about our Presentation Day ceremony this morning. The orchestra was the highlight of the show, with everyone singing the National Anthem with gusto. It was a proud moment for the school and I look forward to their future performances.

Congratulations to our award winners, listed on page 2. New challenges will be set next year to continue to improve teaching and learning at Nemingha Public School.

Parents were very proud as they joined their children and our new school captains, to make the captain's pledge. Captains are Jess Plowman and Charlie Henderson, and Vice Captains are Evelia Lantz and Jack Thornton. They will develop strong leadership and public speaking skills throughout the year and I know they will be successful in their new roles.



Congratulations to Mrs Sharkey and the junior and senior choirs. We really enjoyed the Nemingha PS version of the *Twelve Days of Christmas* and were moved by the senior choir's rendition of *The Power of One*.

Thank you again to the wonderful staff, students, parents and community for another excellent year. Jarrad Smith (guest speaker and vice captain 1998) was so right when he said that Nemingha PS is all about community. His insights and reflections about his schools days at Nemingha added an authentic connection to our celebration of 2016.

Please take care over the summer vacation and have a happy and safe Christmas with family and friends. I look forward to welcoming our new Kindergarten students and catching up with our parents and friends at our 2017 welcome barbecue.

**Kerrel Haire**

# Award winners for 2016

## Class awards

### Year 1

Cooper Preston	Top Academic Award
Alex Mackenzie	Medallion (Most Improved)

### Certificates of Merit:

Aidan Blanch	Excellent Academic Achievement in all KLAs
Cloey Kook	Excellence in English
Teagan Smith	Excellence in Mathematics
Josie Murdoch	Consistent effort across KLAs
Sophie Cleal	Class Citizenship

### Year 2

Emily Tongue	Top Academic Award
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### Year 2 Gold

Nicholas Condrick	Medallion (Most Improved)
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### Certificates of Merit:

Marley Holden	Excellent Academic Achievement in all KLAs
Koby Higgins	Excellence in English
Joanna Scott	Excellence in Mathematics
Elsie Greentree	Consistent effort across KLAs
Jack Broomham	Class Citizenship

### Year 2 Green

Mia Gentle	Medallion (Most Improved)
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### Certificates of Merit:

Edward Blyton	Excellent Academic Achievement in all KLAs
Isabel Murray	Excellence in English
Henry Haling	Excellence in Mathematics
Kalan Perkins	Consistent effort across all KLAs
Raeya Mitchell	Class Citizenship

### Year 3

Max Gallagher	Top Academic Award
Joseph Hawes	Medallion (Most Improved)

### Certificates of Merit:

Lachlan Condrick	Excellent Academic Achievement in all KLAs
Jade Brown	Excellence in English

Jessie Smith	Excellence in Mathematics
Georgia Poore	Consistent effort across KLAs
Max Sartori	Class Citizenship

### Year 4

Jessica Haling	Top Academic Award
Jacob Brown	Medallion (Most Improved)

### Certificates of Merit:

Forbes Murdoch	Excellent Academic Achievement in all KLAs
Ruby Olrich	Excellence in English
Jackson Purdy	Excellence in Mathematics
Blake Tongue	Consistent effort across KLAs
Cheyanna Norman	Class Citizenship

### Year 5

Jess Plowman	Top Academic Award
Charlotte Murray	Medallion (Most Improved)

### Certificates of Merit:

Charlie Henderson	Excellent Academic Achievement in all KLAs
Charlotte Harvey	Excellence in English
Campbell Elliott	Excellence in Mathematics
Jebediah Newman	Consistent effort across KLAs
Zach Williams	Class Citizenship

### Year 6

Emelyn Haling	Top Academic Award
Riley Drury	Medallion (Most Improved)

### Certificates of Merit:

Abbey Greentree	Excellent Academic Achievement in all KLAs
Travis Chaffey	Excellence in English
Thomas Lesslie	Excellence in Mathematics
Luke Gentle	Consistent effort across KLAs
Beau Turner	Class Citizenship

## Sports Awards

For representation in North West Region teams

Cricket:	Charlie Henderson, Oliver Brennan and Emelyn Haling
Cross Country:	Robert Murphy and Monique Corbett



Athletics:	Cheyanna Norman
Swimming:	Kallie Mitchell, Jebediah Newman and Charlie Henderson
Rugby League:	Charlie Henderson and Jock Button
Soccer:	Luke Gentle
Basketball:	Sol Arrantz
Hockey:	Emelyn Haling
Rugby Union:	Jock Button

## House Awards

Swimming:	Emus
Athletics:	Kangaroos

## Special Awards

Oliver Brennan	Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden - Garden Classes
Lucy Plowman	Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden - Kitchen Classes
Jock Button	Premiers Sporting Medal
Abbey Greentree	Citizen of the Year
Charlie Henderson	Sportsperson of 2016



# Creative and performing arts concert

**What a wonderful morning at Nemingha Public School on Tuesday! Our students performed 49 items for a delighted audience. It certainly was a lovely way to celebrate the students' progress.**

It was very exciting to see hear our new brass band and orchestra play so beautifully. William Blaxland composed an orchestral version of the National Anthem especially for our students and it was magnificent. After listening once, our clever students were able to sing along.

Thank you to the music tutors, Mrs Moss, Mrs Sharkey, Mrs Bowman and Mrs Haling for putting in so much time and effort to support the creative and performing arts at Nemingha Public School.

Thank you everyone for your hard work and support of our wonderful school throughout 2016.

Working collaboratively has ensured our students receive the very best education. Our students, teaching, administration, cleaning and grounds staff, community, P&C, School Council, volunteers and parents are second to none.

Please have a safe and happy holiday, a Merry Christmas and happy New Year.

**Kerrel Haire**, Principal



*More photos on the school web site.*

# What's cooking in the Canteen

## 2016 wrap-up

### What a great year in the Canteen!

We have fed many hungry children and have enjoyed watching them achieve their little milestones. Many of our Kindy students now using full sentences to politely ask for their chosen items, and of course so beautifully using their manners! So thank you students, young and older, you always put smiles on our faces.

### Some fun facts for this year ...

We have sold over 12,300 chicken nuggets, 1,240 chocolate milks, 900 moosies, 680 ice creams, and 300 meat pies. Last month we made and sold 250 tacos and and nearly 200 milkshakes.

A huge thank you to our volunteers who have been so willing to help us in the canteen.

A special mention to Michelle Mortlock, who will be leaving us this year as Hayley heads off to high school. I found an old 'sign in' book from 2004, and Michelle's name was there! That's many years of happy volunteering. Also to Olly McCormack, Liam's Grandma. Thanks ladies, I will miss you both.

This year we introduced 'donating pantry items', especially for those who can't physically help in the canteen, but want to contribute in some way. Your generosity is appreciated.

My last massive thank you is for our canteen convener, Maryann Murdoch. A great job again this year. Maryann introduced our 'Cooking in the Kitchen' days, and her enthusiasm has been infectious, inspiring many to help cook tasty dishes.

Next Monday, 12 December, is our last trading day for 2016. Please all enjoy your holidays. See you next year, relaxed and refreshed!

Thank you,

**Marion Woods**, Canteen Manager, 0414 766 131



## What's coming up in 2017

### The canteen will re-open next year on Friday 3 February.

Some exciting adventures await the canteen next year!

Following the success of our taco and Milkshake month on November, we have decided to keep this initiative going for 2017.

Basically each year group will get to choose an item to sell in the canteen for a month. Of course, these will fit into our healthy food guidelines.

Year 6 February

Year 5 March

Year 4 May

Year 3 June

Year 2 August

Year 1 September

Kindy - November

During your class month, we will be looking for a parent to help co-ordinate the roster and recruit some helpers. If this challenge sounds exciting, please put up your hand and help your year group out. I can also assist you too.

In February, Kate Williams has kindly volunteered for this role, so please help her out by volunteering for a day or by donating food for our special menu items.

A separate note is going home to the 2017 Year 6 class this week.

Our special menu items chosen by the students for February are chicken burritos and mango and strawberry smoothies.


## Thanks from Ronald McDonald

The school has received a lovely letter of thanks from Ronald McDonald House for our recent donation.

*"Ronald McDonald House Tamworth could not do what we do without the generous support of a caring community. Thank you for your recent donation of \$941.17 from your charity day, we really appreciate your support in helping make a difference for families when they need it most."*

*"We are grateful for your commitment to our charity. Please know that through your generosity we continue as a team to make a real difference to families and children throughout the New England and North West."*

*Would you like to learn music?*



We have some vacancies left in our music tuition classes. If you are interested in learning an instrument next year, please contact the office and details will be sent home.

We would like to have all classes organised before the beginning of the year so that we can begin lessons in Week 3 (week beginning Monday 6 February).



## Nemingha students shine in cricket

During the last week of cricket, Nemingha students came to the fore in Opens and the Year 5 competitions.

In the Opens, Oliver Brennan scored 21, Luke Gentle scored 17 not out, James Sainsbury took wicket for two runs and Thomas Gallagher took three wickets for 10 runs. The Opens had a good win over Oxley Vale thanks to these boys.

The Year 5 team comfortably defeated Oxley Vale, with Ethan Dawson scoring 14 and Robert Murphy getting 10 not out. Whilst bowling, Campbell Elliott got 1-5, Lachlan Elliott got 0-3 and Baden Lewis got 0-1 from their overs. Well done Nemingha.

David Lewis, Assistant Principal

## School trip subsidy changes

The Private Vehicle Conveyance (PVC) subsidy is being phased out and will be replaced by the School Drive Subsidy.

From 20 December 2016, the PVC will be progressively phased out and replaced by the School Drive Subsidy. The deadline for new applications for the existing PVC subsidy is 20 December 2016.

Parents or guardians currently receiving the existig PVC subsidy can choose to stay on it or switch to the new School Drive Subsidy after 17 January 2017. If they want to remain on the existing PVC subsidy, they don't need to do anything.

The main change for parents/guardians driving one or more students from the same household to the nearest public transport pick-up point or to school, the new School Drive Subsidy will be paid per trip (for the complete school trip). This per-trip payment is different from the current PVC subsidy, which is paid per student.

For more information to go [transport.nsw.gov.au/schooldrive](http://transport.nsw.gov.au/schooldrive), or phone 131500.

### St Lukes Loomberah

#### Community Christmas Carols Under the Gums

When: Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Time: 5pm until dark

Where: Old Loomberah Sports Ground

"Glenwood" Duri-Dungowan Rd (Wet weather - Loomberah Hall)

Bring: chairs, drinks, large plate of food to share, food item for hamper, a torch to assist carol singing

Fun: water games, cricket, Christmas carols and Santa

Enquiries: Janelle Tongue 0428421206



## Congratulations Oztaggers

Our kinder Oztag team has completed their first term of playing and they have all had a great time and learnt lots of new skills.

A massive thank you to Steve Kelly, their coach, for all the time he has given up to teach our students. All players are keen to keep playing next year in the under 8s, when games get competitive. Next year we will try to get asome teams in the older divisions as well so, if your children are interested in playing Oztag, keep an eye out.



Development Clinics will run during school holidays for boys and girls aged from

**3 years to 12 years.**

Delivered by Qualified Coaches, the clinic will help participants to develop and/or enhance their knowledge of the four core skills to football development, technique as well as game knowledge.

### January School Holiday Soccer Development Clinics

#### Boys and Girls 3 to 5 years old

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017 8:30 - 10:00am

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 8:30 - 10:00am

Cost: \$30 per child per session

#### Boys and Girls 6 to 12 years old

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017 10:30 - 1:30pm

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 10:30 - 1:30pm

Cost: \$45 per child per session

#### Where:

Tamworth City Bowling Club  
Napier Street, Tamworth  
(Enclosed area next to Anzac Park)

\* Players need to bring \*

\* Water bottle

\* Hat

\* Sunscreen

\* Snacks/Lunch

\* Players must wear shin pads.

#### Enquires

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