



Calendar

November

16-17 November	Years 5 and 6 Excursion
Wed 22 November	Captains' Speeches <i>11.20am in the hall - all welcome</i>
Friday 24 November	Gingerbread House Night <i>6.30pm in the hall</i>

December

Friday 1 December	Assembly - Kinder item <i>10am in the hall</i> Charity Day <i>1pm-3pm</i>
Friday 8 December	Presentation Day
Tuesday 12 December	Year 6 Farewell Christmas Scripture Service <i>11.15am - all welcome</i>
Wednesday 13 Dec	P&C and School Council meetings <i>School Council 6pm in the staff room</i> <i>P&C 7pm in the staff room</i>
Thursday 14 December	Class parties
Friday 15 December	Nemingha's Got Talent End of Term 4

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January

Monday 29 January	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 30 January	Start of Term 1 for Years 1-6
30 and 31 January	Kinder Best Start assessments

February

Thursday 1 February	Start of Term 1 for Kindergarten students
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Clothing Pool - open each Monday, 9.30-10.30am
and on assembly days at 1.30pm



Well done K1!

Congratulations K1 on your wonderful performance of "Dancing with Dinosaurs" and "One-Eyed Jack" at our assembly last week. We were very proud of how confident you all were on stage - such little superstars!



K1 have been busy this term learning about narratives during our "Australia" literacy unit. Children have enjoyed studying books written by Australian authors such as Mem Fox and John Heffernan.

There have been some imaginative narratives created. Here is an example:

The Animal Scare

One night Cluck and Horsey woke up to hear a roar coming from the house. So Cluck peeked through the window. What did she see? She saw a big beady eye. Now it is Horsey's turn. So Horsey had a look and what did she see? The door opened. She saw a dinosaur. So they both ran away.

by Stella Peters - K

In geography we have been learning about the school grounds and mapping. Students have enjoyed designing maps and locating hidden treasure.

Our maths has been full of learning about chance and looking at place value. K1 have also studied fractions and addition strategies using number lines.

The love of music ...

Christopher Jackson, Principal

Participation and appreciation of the arts are important for all children. The love of music, expression through dance, drama, or the visual arts are for everyone. We all know how greatly music affects our feelings and energy levels! Without even thinking about it, we use music to create desired mood, to make us happy, to enjoy movement and dance, to bring back powerful memories, to help us relax and focus.

Wow! Tuesday afternoon was incredible as we were thoroughly entertained by a number of students who performed on stage with clarinets, guitars, violins, drums, trumpets, piano and a saxophone. I was amazed by the sheer talent of many of our students;

some who had only been learning for a couple of months.

Music greatly affects and enhances our learning and living! It provides powerful learning experiences and has the potential to achieve diverse educational outcomes.

At present, Nemingha Public School has a number of experienced and talented teachers who regularly teach students their expertise in music. Mr Aurisch on the guitar and drums, Mrs Craven-Sands with the clarinet, flute and saxophone, Mr William Blaxland on the trumpet, Mr Sam Blaxland on the violin and piano and Mr Weaver on the piano. If your child would like to learn an instrument please see Mrs Moss, who does an incredible job co-ordinating our music tuition program.

Music helps us learn as it establishes a positive learning state, creates a great learning atmosphere, focusses concentration, increases attention, improves memory, releases tension, enhances imagination, provide inspiration and motivation and most importantly, adds an element of fun!

"Music is the electrical soil in which the spirit lives, thinks and invents."
Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)



Great start to cooking days



On Tuesday, 3S spent the day cooking as part of the **Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden** program, with students preparing a beautiful roast dinner.

We enjoyed some laughs as students learnt to 'stuff the chook!'

Many thanks to Mrs Petrie, who gave up her time to help. I'm looking forward to cooking with the other classes in the coming weeks.

Martina Stimson



All wrapped up

Stage 2 have been studying the unit 'Package it better!' this term.

We were lucky enough to have Sharon Sheridan from the Nemingha Post Office come and talk to our classes about suitable packaging.

Sharon demonstrated how various boxes and materials can be used to send items safely.

Students will be working on their own design projects in the coming weeks in class.



Debating experience

We're very proud of Charlotte Harvey, who has been competing as part of the **New England Regional Debating Team**.

The competition was held in Sydney at the Collaroy Centre over three days last week.

Charlotte is to be congratulated for making the team and the superb effort she and her team made in winning two out of the five debates against the best debating teams in NSW.

She made some lovely new friends and said it was an experience she would never forget.



What's cooking in the Canteen



CHILL J

Chill J drinks are now available at the canteen for \$2. It is 100% sparkling fruit juice in a 250ml bottle.

Chill J is an "Everyday" drink and has a 5-Star Health Rating. We currently have *Blastin Blackcurrant* and *Rippin Raspberry* flavours.

Late lunch orders

Recently we have had a lot of late lunch and recess orders. Please remind your children that they need to bring their orders to the canteen before 9.30am.

Thank you

Renae Mumford, Canteen Manager
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The following notes have been sent home this week:

All students

Details of our Charity Day on Friday 1 December.

Welcome to Kinder 2018

Next year's Kindergarten class has made a great start, graduating as stars of the Kinder Orientation program.



Last Friday they attended school for a full day. Everyone had a great time doing some PE activities with the Year 5 buddies and showed amazing skills with hopping, balancing, throwing and climbing.

After listening to a story about a magic hat, the students made a flip book and their own magic hat. The students demonstrated their counting skills while using the interactive board.

The best part of the day was performing the song called 'Do You Know I'm Going to School Soon'. The audience, which consisted of the whole school and many parents and friends, appeared to enjoy our song.

We are all looking forward to seeing these students return next year.

