



## Calendar

### June

26-28 June Great Aussie Bush Camp  
Excursion for Years 3 and 4 students

### July

Friday 5 July Term 2 ends  
**Mufti Day - gold coin donation**  
Mufti day theme is "Holidays"

Monday 22 July Students return for Term 3

Monday 29 July Variety Bash to visit our school  
Lunch and activities - all welcome

### August

5-9 August Education Week

Friday 9 August Assembly - Year 2/3 item  
2.40pm in the hall  
Science Fair

Wed 14 August P&C Meeting  
7pm in the staff room

Monday 19 August Staff Development Day

19-23 August Book Week

Tuesday 27 August School photos

Wed 28 August "Monsters in My Wardrobe"  
9.45am

Friday 30 August Assembly - Year 2 item  
2.40pm in the hall

### September

Wed 11 September P&C Meeting  
7pm in the staff room

Friday 20 September Assembly - Year 1 item  
2.40pm in the hall

Friday 27 September Term 3 ends

### October

Monday 14 October Term 4 starts

Tuesday 29 October Kinder Orientation  
9.30am-12.30pm

### November

Wed 6 November Kinder Orientation  
9.30am-12.30pm

Wed 13 November P&C Meeting  
7pm in the staff room

Friday 15 November Kinder Orientation Day  
Assembly - Kinder item

Clothing Pool - open each Monday and the first  
Friday of each month, 2.30-3.30pm

## Wyniss

On Friday afternoon the school was fortunate to be a part of the Musica Viva performance "Wyniss".

The children have been participating in a number of lessons this term with Mr Jackson in preparation for Wyniss' visit.

Dujon, Auntie Nora, Smilie and George are from the Torres Strait Islands and they delighted the students with songs, games, dances and instruments from their indigenous culture.

The students joined in Wami string figures, Wana spinning tops and used the firefly zamiaks (props) made in music classes to perform a dance called Zeg.

We were farewelled at the end of the performance with a song called Ama Babanwal, which is a song about sad goodbyes and respecting your elders. The students joined in so beautifully and their behaviour was exemplary. It was fantastic to have a performance to culminate a term's work in music.

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# Imagine it!

Christopher Jackson, Principal

**A world where everyone gets along. Where everyone can be a friend, and everyone is ready to help should you need it.**

Can you picture how much fun that world would be?

You could freely travel the earth, exploring fascinating and exciting places. You could easily learn new games, try new yummy foods, listen to cool new music, as people everywhere are happy to share of themselves and their culture. Such a world is possible, especially if we learn one very important skill.

That skill is tolerance.

Tolerance means more than letting go of egocentrism – it requires that children recognise the “other” as different from themselves; that they accept that others see the world differently from themselves, and that they recognise that different points of view are as valid as one’s own.

The best sort of tolerance is not about putting up with people in order to at least muddle through a bad situation. That is more about repressing bad feelings, than about allowing

difference. “Oh, I don’t like that Terry; Terry is too loud, but I will pretend the noise is not awful,” is not as useful as, “I find Terry loud. Maybe if I talk to Terry we can come up with a solution with which we can both be happy.”

The best sort of tolerance is being open to discovering more about ourselves, each other, and life.

***“I used to think that anyone doing anything weird was weird. Now I know that it is the people that call others weird that are weird.”***

**Sir Paul McCartney**

This sort of tolerance accepts that life is a mixed bag, but also understands that part of that mixed bag includes good, and some of that good we may not have experienced

before or recognise right away.

For instance if you had never tried chocolate before, you might be a little afraid of its dark brown colour. You carefully put it to your mouth, ready to spit it out again but more willing to give it a try. Once you have placed it on your tongue and chewed it a bit, your tolerance is rewarded with a yummy taste sensation.

## WYNISS ... from Page 1

The musicians of Wyniss were touched and quite emotional that our students knew their music so well, as it is important to them that their music and culture reaches children all around Australia.



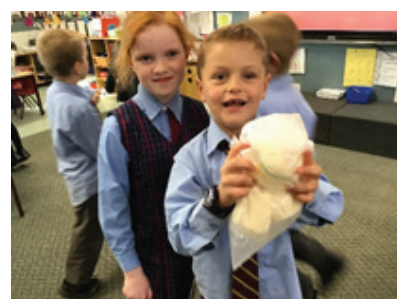
## Ice Cream Magic

**This term in science, Year 1 have been doing experiments and investigations on how things change shape using heating and cooling.**

Last week made ice cream in a bag. It was delicious and took a lot of hard work (Year 6 students and Mrs McDonald).

We had to shake our bags for a long time! It was well worth the effort and most children tasted their ice cream (or thick shake in some cases).

We learnt that by adding salt to the ice it made it colder. We are hoping to use our learning to make different flavours for next time.





# Thank you for all you do

We are so fortunate at Nemingha Public School to have the support of our families, staff and the wider community in giving our children the best possible educational experience.

This week we have some special people to thank.

## Beautiful new books

Thank you to Chris, Neroli, Isabella and Maeve Graham for donating some very beautiful books to our library.



## Guided reading resources

Thank you to Natalie Flemming for the work she did to cover our new guided reading resources.

## Athletics Carnival

Thank you to staff, students and parents who assisted Mrs Sharkey with this year's Athletics Carnival on Monday.

There were many positive comments about the new venue and facilities.

There will be a presentation of ribbons and trophies at next Monday morning's assembly. Parents are welcome to attend.

We'll have a full report on the carnival in next week's Newslink.



The following notes have been sent home this week:

### Selected students

Girls Hockey Gala Day, Thursday 4 July.

**Permission notes due Monday 1 July.**



## Audit

On Monday the State auditors visited the school for a two-day audit. They were able to conclude the entire process in one day with only a few minor recommendations.

Congratulations and thanks to Mrs Nicolette Moss, who manages the school's finances, on a job well done.

## Busy bees

A big thank you to Heemskerks Nursery, and specially Deon, for their donation of honey and the loan of a bee hive (with stingless bees!) for our Insect unit in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program.

The children will enjoy learning about the important work that bees do in our gardens and environment.



## Surveys

Thank you to the parents who returned the Swimming Carnival survey. Mrs Sharkey is compiling results and will present the findings to the next School Council meeting.

There will be a similar survey for feedback on the recent Athletics carnival held at Farrer.

## Great Aussie Bush Camp

About 60 eager students boarded the bus yesterday bound for the Great Aussie Bush camp for three days.

They are all having a wonderful time.

A full report about their adventures will be in next week's Newslink.



## Exiting carpark

Please ensure that when you exit the visitors' carpark you do so with great caution.

There have been incidents lately where buses pulling into the bus bay have had to stop suddenly to let cars past. Please be aware that as you are exiting a private property the rule applies that you give way to traffic on the street.

Also please remember that parking on the right-hand side of the bus bay is prohibited (as per signs) from 8-9.30am and 2.30-4pm (the same as the school zone restrictions).

This is an offence which could result in a heavy fine.



## ★ Going for Gold

In future, we will be announcing our Gold Award winners prior to the assembly at which they will be presented. We hope that this will encourage parents and family to come and recognise their children's achievements.

Gold awards to be presented at the next assembly on 9 August will go to **Luke Pittman and Emily Tongue**.

This is part of the school's awards system, which is designed to reward responsible behaviour, positive contribution or attitude.

Students are awarded stars, which accumulate to earn bronze, silver and then gold awards, so children receiving the gold awards have demonstrated exemplary behaviour consistently during their time at Nemingha Public School.

Students who accumulate three gold awards achieve a Service Award.

A full explanation of the awards system is available in the information booklet which is provided to parents on enrolment.

## Mufti Day

The last day of term - Friday, 5 July - will be a mufti day with a gold-coin donation.

The theme is **HOLIDAYS** and the children can come dressed appropriately with closed-in shoes. The gold coin donation will go towards the Year 6 end of year gift.

SRC Fundraising Councillors - **Joey and Robert**



CALALA ROTARY CLUB

## DROUGHT MENTAL WELLNESS FORUM

Following the success of our Drought Forum, our **"Mental Wellness"** Forum is about supporting each other in recognizing problems, offering up solutions and resources and discovering areas that, maybe, have not yet been recognised.

Come for a BBQ, bring a mate, listen to the keynote speakers and get more information from the community support networks.

*Let's keep rural Australia talking  
about mental health.*

**When?** 5pm FRIDAY 5th July, 2019

BBQ from 5.30pm

**Where?** FARRER CLUBHOUSE

585 Calala Lane, Tamworth

**Rotary contact:** Barry Pratten 0421 680 766

- COME ALONG AND BRING A MATE
- BE AWARE OF YOUR NEIGHBOUR
- THERE IS HELP OUT THERE
- LISTEN / LEARN / LINK
- FREE APPS AND ONLINE PROGRAMS
- LETS WORK TOGETHER



## Start of Term 3

Please note that students will return to school for Term 3 on  
**Monday 22 July.**

The School Development Day which is usually held on the first day of term will be held on Monday 19 August.