



## Calendar

### October

Tuesday 27 October	Kinder Orientation
Friday 30 October	Footy Colours Day SRC Fundraiser for Cancer <i>See article on page 3</i>

### November

2-6 November	ASCA presentations
Wednesday 4 Nov	Kinder Orientation
Wednesday 11 Nov	P&C Meeting
Friday 13 November	Kinder Orientation  Combined Assembly <i>KH and K/1</i>

### December

Friday 4 December	Presentation Day - date confirmed <i>format to be determined</i>
Thursday 10 December	Year 6 Farewell - date confirmed
Wednesday 16 Dec	Term 4 ends
17/18 December	School Development Day
Friday 25 December	Christmas Day
Monday 28 December	Additional day holiday

## 2021

### January

27-28 January	Staff Development Days
Friday 29 January	Term 1 commences <i>for students in Years 1-6</i>

### February


Monday 1 February	Term 1 commences <i>for Kindergarten students</i>
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The following note has been sent home this week:

#### All students

Book Club

 **Due date for Scholastic online orders 30 October**

## Staying safe online

**On Monday this week we were very fortunate to have had a visit from Senior Constable King.**

Senior Constable King spent the morning with our Year 5 and Year 6 students sharing information and strategies to help them stay safe online.

Below are some of the messages she shared:

- ✓ Create secure passwords; e.g. colour, animal, food, number.
- ✓ Share their account usernames and passwords with their parents/careers (parents pay for the internet, parents pay for the devices, parents are responsible for their child's actions online just as they are in the real world).
- ✓ *Parents should be regularly checking their child's device to make sure the content they are looking up and the messages and content they are sharing is appropriate.*
- ✓ Ask themselves, what am I telling the world about myself?
- ✓ Remember that anyone can create a fake profile and that the average age of an online gamer is 48 years old (the students were VERY surprised by this).
- ✓ Think before you send/post – posting/sharing inappropriate material or asking someone else to post/share inappropriate material is illegal
- ✓ Remember that it is illegal to take a picture of another person and post it online without permission – if you are asked to remove an image of someone you must do it.
- ✓ Be careful who they are friends with online. As a rule, friends that you know in real life should be the only online friends you have.
- ✓ Know that if you can't do it in the real world, you can't do it online – there can be serious consequences.

Senior Constable King concluded her presentation by reassuring the students that there is never anything so bad that they can't tell someone. People outside their family the students could talk to include, teachers, coaches, Kids Helpline (1800 55 1800) and Senior Constable King at Tamworth Police Station.

# “All the flowers of all the tomorrows are in the seeds of today”

— Robin Craig Clark, The Miracle of Flowers

**Christopher Jackson**, Principal

## Planning is an essential part of the school timetable - “plan or be planned”

We all like to have a clear vision of where we want to be and how best go about it.

In Term 4 schools around the state have started the planning process for next year and it is essential that the main focus is on improving student learning outcomes. It is also important that the school is responsive to local and regional needs. Nemingha staff has already started to make plans for the 2021 school year.

Our school has a reputation for providing high quality education and establishing innovative programs, and in providing an environment conducive to learning. It is important that we continue to implement and enhance the programs that will maintain and improve our school.

At the end of last term you were asked to complete a survey online, on paper or provide feedback to your child's teacher during the parent teacher interview, about what you would

like to see in our 2021-2024 School Improvement Plan. Thank you to those of you who have already done this. Parents and teachers share the responsibility for a child's education so if you haven't already responded, the online survey finishes tomorrow so I urge you to do so tonight.

In the survey our School Council has set one of the questions concerning ideas for a school song. It has been on the planning board for a number of years so we hope to have a composer create a school song to be sung by the children on special assemblies and events. In order to do this we need as much material as possible to send to the composer to be included in the lyrics.

We are very proud of the quality education our school provides. I look forward to the future and in working with the school community in 2021 to ensure our school maintains its vitality, relevance and effectiveness.



## Stage 3 artists

Students in Stage 3 have been very busy creating sculptures depicting sea life, based on the unit of work they are currently studying - Macquarie Island and The Great Barrier Reef.

The process was quite intricate, working with wood, wire, stockings, special glue and paint. The students are all very proud of their efforts.



## Class Dojo

We encourage everyone to connect to Class Dojo so you can see what fabulous things are happening in your child's classroom.

You will need a profile for each student.

At the end of each week there is a “Week in Review” which outlines all the things that your child has done for that week.

It's a wonderful way to connect.



**On Friday, 30 October, Nemingha Public School will be holding a Footy Colours Day.**

Fight Cancer Foundation's Footy Colours Day is a national community fundraising campaign that helps kids with cancer keep up with school.

Students are asked to wear their favourite sporting team colours and bring in a gold coin donation.

How does the organisation help students with their education?

- Maintain their education and connection with their school and school friends
- Provide flexible, individual lesson plans that work around their illness and treatment
- Mix of face-to-face and online learning sessions
- Ease the transition back to 'normal' school life
- Ensure kids with cancer reach their full educational, professional and vocational potential

## Student reflection

**Why did Nemingha students want to hold a Footy Colours Day?**



### **Kaelan Moss**

I believe we should support children with cancer to complete their schoolwork and give them good challenges. It makes us all have a fair opportunity to do well in school.

### **William Elwin**

It will help kids with cancer complete their school work. When I was doing work from home I found everything harder because it took longer to ask questions.

### **Caitlin Beale**

When we were home schooling it was harder to talk to my friends. I think it's important that everyone gets a good education and no-one will miss out on having a fun and interesting school experience.

## Kindergarten 2021 Orientation

**Kindergarten Orientation commences next Tuesday.**

Thankfully the COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted slightly to allow schools to proceed with this important part of our school calendar. Unfortunately we are unable to allow parents to attend, however, we plan to have a rostered visit after school with Mrs Moss, Mr McDonald, Mrs Kemp and Mr Jackson conducting tours for each mum and dad.

During the holidays, 2021 Kindergarten parents were sent a USB with information about the school, P&C, bus company and the current Kindergarten class explaining what Nemingha Public School is all about. Thanks to Mrs Moss, Mrs Mumford, Mrs Kemp and Mr Jackson, Mrs Lambert, our two school Captains, Mrs Perkins, Mr Reilly, Mrs Holcombe, Mrs Pearson and the 2020 Kindies for their efforts.

## Gold Awards

Along with those students listed in last week's Newslink, the following students will receive a Gold Award at the assembly tomorrow:

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| ● Elsie Greentree | ● Melody-Lyric Saab |
| ● Dean Miller     | ● Lillian Stass     |
| ● Josie Murdoch   | ● Connor Unger      |
| ● Joel Rainbow    |                     |

## Service Awards

Five students will receive a well-earned Service Award tomorrow:

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| ● Pia Flemming<br>(who was not able to receive her award on 31 August) | ● Colby Unger       |
|  | ● Elsie Greentree   |
|  | ● Cooper Preston    |
|  | ● Charlotte Preston |





**O'GRADY**  
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**PRESENTS:**  
**FREE ONLINE**  
**DRAMA WORKSHOPS**

Develop confidence,  
communication, critical and  
creative thinking skills through  
fun, practical drama classes.

**inter-ACT**  
online

This project is supported by  
the NSW Government  
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the Creative Kids Program.

please email:  
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## Tamworth City Swimming Club

*Shark Alert: TCSC Summer Training*



**COMMENCING 12<sup>th</sup> OCT 20**  
Nicolas Monel – 0434 805 957  
CALL NOW TO BOOK

**SHARKS DEVELOPMENT SQUADS:**

- **A SQUAD: 2 sessions a week (60mins)**  
Designed for a first introduction to formal swimming instruction. Swimmers learn to dive; float and swim with focus on body position.
- **B SQUAD: 2 - 3 sessions a week (60mins)**  
Designed for children who have had some prior swimming instruction. This squad will build on the foundational skills and technique in a squad environment.

**TRAINING & FITNESS SQUADS:**

- **Junior SQUAD: 5 sessions a week (2hrs)**  
Reinforce skills and technique within a more rigorous training programme
- **Senior SQUAD: 6 sessions a week (2hrs)**  
*Let's get serious!* Show up to training every day. Focus on the training tasks, through training sessions and competition, learn to persevere, make a sustained effort, planning.

**CLUB NIGHT: Wednesday 6pm Family Fun Night & BBQ**

**OCTOBER 2020– MARCH 2021 Training Fees:**

- Sharks Development Squad - \$250
- Junior & Senior Squad  
1<sup>st</sup> Child - \$340, 2<sup>nd</sup> Child - \$300, 3<sup>rd</sup> Child - \$275, 4<sup>th</sup> Child - No Fee.
- TCSC Membership Fee - \$65
- Swimming NSW Annual Fee Upon Registration

Check out the Tamworth City Swimming Club Facebook page for latest information

**Training Times**

SQUAD	DAYS	TIME
A SQUAD	MONDAY & THURSDAY	3:30pm-4:30pm
B SQUAD	TUESDAY & FRIDAY	3:30pm-4:30pm
JUNIOR SQUAD	MON, TUES, THURS, FRI:	4:30-6:30pm, WED: 4:00- 6:00pm, SATURDAY 7-9am
SENIOR SQUAD	MON – FRI:	5:30 – 7:30am + PM Repeat, 4:30 – 6:30pm WED: 4:00- 6:00pm SATURDAY: 7:00-9:00am

**WESTS ENTERTAINMENT GROUP**

**Summer 2020 / 21 Register NOW!**

## Nutrition Snippet

### MEAT-FREE MONDAY.

Get your family having more veg by making Monday 'Meat-free'.



### Try these meat-free meals:

- [Mushroom, spinach and lentil lasagne](#)
- [Green frittata](#)
- [Eggplant tagine](#)

Any leftovers can be used in the lunch box the next day!

[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

 **Cancer Council**  
Healthy Lunch Box

## Reminder - Drink bottles

Teachers have noticed an increasing number of students are coming to school without a drink bottle. COVID-19 restrictions mean that the drinking bubblers at school are not currently in use. Because of this your child must bring a full drink bottle to school every day. There are facilities for filling drink bottles throughout the day if your child requires more water.