



Calendar

May

Friday 14 May	School Cross Country
17-20 May	Canberra Excursion <i>Year 6 students</i>
Thursday 27 May	Zone Cross Country

June

Wednesday 9 June	P&C General Meeting <i>7pm in the staff room</i>
Friday 7 June	Assembly <i>4F Item</i> <i>2.40pm in the school hall</i>
Friday 11 June	Staff Development Day
Monday 14 June	Queen's Birthday holiday
16-18 June	Years 3 and 4 Aussie Bush Camp excursion
Friday 25 June	Term 2 ends

July

Monday 12 July	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 14 July	P&C General Meeting <i>7pm in the staff room</i>
Tuesday 13 July	Students return for Term 3
Friday 23 July	Assembly <i>2D Item</i> <i>2.40pm in the school hall</i>
Monday 26 July	Teach Your Dinosaur Science

August

Tuesday 10 August	School Photos
Wednesday 11 August	P&C General Meeting <i>7pm in the staff room</i>
Friday 20 August	Assembly <i>3W Item</i> <i>2.40pm in the school hall</i>

September

Wednesday 8 Sept	P&C General Meeting <i>7pm in the staff room</i>
Friday 17 September	Assembly <i>1/2M Item</i> <i>2.40pm in the school hall</i>

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

Courtroom drama

Last Friday afternoon Year 4/5S disappeared and became part of the courtroom drama *Technology is Evil*.

The students have been learning about persuasive texts and how to be convincing to an audience. I certainly think they achieved this displaying some funny, exciting and serious scenes.

Thank you to all the parents and Nemingha community who came along to watch and support the students.

The students thoroughly enjoyed putting on this performance and I can see some potential careers in the making.

Kristine Sharkey



Links through generations

Leanne Kemp, Relieving Principal

As I looked at the calendar and wondered where the weeks have gone I also examined our school staffing and was amazed at the number of people at our school who were once students of Nemingha Public School.

We have many multi-generational links with families from the region and now have seen a number of past students returning to give back to the school. We welcome Miss Sophie Pennell back to Nemingha to complete her practicum on Year 4F. Miss Pennell was a student from 2006 up until 2011, when she was school captain.

Mr McDonald was a past student who attended the "old" school from kindergarten until Year 6 in 1994. Miss Jackson attended our school at the current site until moving onto high school in 2002 and Miss Shumack was a student here in 2010. These people have all reminisced about the wonderful experiences and memories they have of Nemingha Public School.

As well as these people we have many others who are part of our school community. Our school is blessed to have so many families supporting it through participation in fundraising, attendance at school events and meetings. One of our school banner statements is "Community" and this is certainly the case when you look at the numbers of people who regularly come through the school in any given week.

Thank you to everyone who supports the Nemingha school community. We understand that we all live very busy lives but by doing something as simple as completing parental



Sophie Pennell, Joshua McDonald, Teniele Jackson and Matilda Shumack - back to school.

surveys, returning notes, taking time to attend teacher interviews or helping out at the canteen you are assisting our school and demonstrating to your children that you value their education.

We look forward to seeing some of you at school tomorrow to support your children's efforts at the annual Cross Country Carnival.



Kiss and Drop zone

If you use the Kiss and Drop zone in front of the school, could you please keep moving forward as cars pull out from the kerb to allow incoming vehicles to drive easily in behind the last car.

This will facilitate a safer and more efficient flow of traffic when picking up children in the afternoons.

By not moving up, this creates an inconvenience for through traffic whilst cars have to juggle to reverse into spaces.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP UP TO DATE

We are currently updating family data of all students and have encountered some anomalies. If you have disconnected your landline, or changed any of your details since completing the blue form at the beginning of the year, could you please inform the school office as soon as possible so that all contact information is correct and up to date.



Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER)

Our Year 6 students will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital.

Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$45 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs, which has already been taken into account in your costs.

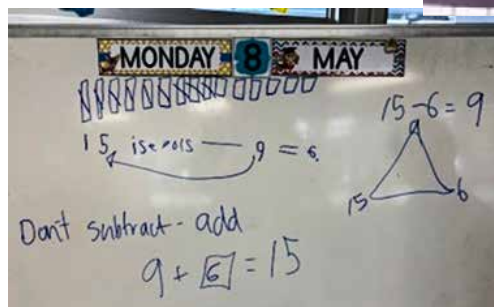
The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

1/2M Spotlight

Year 1/2M are fast becoming math-magicians.

The students in 1/2M enjoy working mathematically. During mathematics we have been working on subtraction and place value.

We constructed place value monsters, which was loads of learning fun. We are learning different ways to subtract.



In English we have been writing character descriptions and reading stories with lots of character descriptions. The **Gruffalo** is fast becoming a favourite.

A game we like to play as part of our soundwaves programme is secret sound. This is when a grapheme is held above a student's head and they have to ask questions about the sound to work out what it is with only yes or no responses.

For creative arts we are learning two poems for choral speech. They are called **Being Brave at Night** by Edgar Guest, and **Eggs**.

Each fortnight we have been singing our socks off with our favourite song called **Fish and Chips**.

In sport we have been determined and challenged to improve our running time, practising our cross country track.

During History we have been learning about our past through existing artefacts in our local community. We are very excited to look at more artefacts while on our Powerhouse excursion next Tuesday.

Amber McDonald



Stewart House reminder

Stewart House fundraising envelopes should be returned to the school by Wednesday 19 May.

Donations received by the due date will be entered into a prize draw.

SOUND OF THE WEEK

See the bee – ee, ee, ee

During Week 5 we will be focusing on the 'ee' sound and investigating the different graphemes (letter/s) used to represent the sound. There are many ways the 'ee' sound is represented in our reading and writing e.g. double 'e' in bee and 'ey' in money

TIPS FOR KIDS

- ★ /ee/ is a long sound
- ★ This is a vowel sound, so nothing gets in the way of the air coming out



ACTIVITIES AT HOME

All the students at Nemingha have access to online activities for each sound unit. You can access them at www.soundwaveskids.com.au using your child's class code. Week 5 is Unit 15.



The following notes have been sent home this week:

Classes 4/5S, 5/6B and 5/6M

Tamworth Eisteddfod poems to practise.

Selected students

Hockey gala days

Girls' softball gala day, Monday 24 May

✍ **Notes due Friday 14 May**

Girls' PSSA softball trials, Monday 24 May

✍ **Notes due Friday 14 May**

Boys' PSSA softball trials, Tuesday 25 May

✍ **Notes due Friday 14 May**

2021 Dance Festival

✍ **Notes due Wednesday 12 May**

Year 6

Year 6 excursion to Canberra - final reminders



Music vacancies

There are several vacancies for piano lessons with Mr Weaver on Thursdays.

Please contact the office for information regarding these

lessons or any other instrument your child might like to learn.

Lessons are available in brass with Mr Ian Hocquard from the Conservatorium, strings and piano with Mr Sam Blaxland and guitar and drums with Mr Alwyn Aurisch.

Cross country tomorrow

All Nemingha Public School students will participate in our school's cross country tomorrow morning.

They are required to wear full sports uniform, including a school hat, and may accessorise with a ribbon or other small items in their house colour. Students are encouraged to wear sunscreen and bring two water bottles to school, clearly labelled with their names. Parents are most welcome to attend with the first race commencing at 9.30am on our back oval.

Due to departmental requirements and media permissions, we would ask that parents 'check-in' and sign-in at the Year 6 table in the playground and do not photograph other students. You are able to take a photo of your own child at the conclusion of the race. Children must stay in their class seating area.

You may wish to bring your own chair as parents will be asked to socially distance in the designated parent area within the paddock.

Please refer to our Week 2 Newslink online or on the Skoolbag App to view a map of the course.

The program is as follows, which includes approximate times only:

Marshal	Start	Event	Laps
9.25	9.30	12/13 boys and girls	2+ laps
9.50	9.55	11 yr boys and girls	2+ laps
10.15	10.20	10 yr boys and girls	1+ lap
10.40	10.45	8/9 boys and girls	1+ lap
11.05	11.10	5/6/7 boys and girls	around the oval

Hopefully presentations will conclude the event by 11.45am.

Students who successfully qualify for the Zone Cross Country will compete in Nundle on Thursday 27 May.

Rugby League Classic Shield

The Nemingha League PSSA team competed in the PSSA competition on a cold and wet day last Friday at the Plain Street fields.

The students played two games for the day. First they played Newling Public School - an unknown side who tried their best to defeat us. Nemingha prevailed and won the game, moving on to the next round. Then they played their second game against a tough team, Tamworth South, who had beaten Hillvue in the previous round.

Nemingha played an outstanding game supporting each other, running and tackling hard and displaying great sportsmanship. They won this game and have progressed to the final North West rounds later this term.

Congratulations to the team and thank you to all the parents who were there in support. A special thank you to Chris Murphy for giving up his time each week to practise.



BE STRONG LIKE A GIRL!

SELF-DEFENCE CLASS

**Are you looking to gain skills for self-defence?
Then this class is for you.**

Not only will you be learning a new skills, you will be helping to raise money for victims and their children of domestic and family violence in our community.

This initiative is offered by the

Tamworth Domestic & Family Violence Committee

with generous sponsorship from

the **Tamworth Regional Council, Chaffey's Martial Arts and Joblink Plus**

When: Saturday 29 May 2021

Time: 9am check in for 9:30am start. Finish 11am.

Where: Tamworth Sports Dome

Cost: ONLY \$12.00 per person - limited spots available

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/152619913269>

or you can find the link on Facebook **Tamworth Domestic & Family Violence Committee**

Ages 12 yrs and over

Bring a towel, water and wear comfortable clothes

Come along, have fun and learn to defend yourself

There will be information about domestic and family violence that you can share with someone who may need help but does not know there is help out there and/or a way out.

You can be their voice when they don't have one.

Help be the change.

EQUIP- EMPOWER- EDUCATE

TAMWORTH DOMESTIC & FAMILY VIOLENCE COMMITTEE

