



Calendar

June

Friday 4 June	Assembly 4F Item 2.40pm in the school hall
Wednesday 9 June	P&C General Meeting 7pm in the staff room
Friday 11 June	Staff Development Day
Monday 14 June	Queen's Birthday holiday
16-18 June	Years 3 and 4 Aussie Bush Camp excursion
Wednesday 23 June	Mufti Day Crazy hair and socks Gold coin to fundraising for the Year 6 gift to the school
Friday 25 June	School Athletics Carnival TRAC Term 2 ends

July

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

August

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

September

Wednesday 8 Sept	P&C General Meeting 7pm in the staff room
13-17 September	New England Dance Festival TRECC
Friday 17 September	Assembly 1/2M Item 2.40pm in the school hall

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

Canberra excursion

by Alex Mackenzie and Sophie Cleal, Year 6

One of the best things about Canberra was seeing the parliament houses. We saw Old Parliament House and the New Parliament House. We learnt the history of Canberra



including past prime ministers, and what the roles are.

My personal favourite was the Australian Mint. An interesting fact, people were told to hand in the 1 and 2 cent coins and if you find one they aren't rare, as lots of people didn't hand them in. The ones that were handed in have now been made into Olympic gold medals. The Australian Mint recycles lots of things!



We went to a National Exhibition where they taught us about how Canberra was named and made. Canberra was just a city that had four families and about 25 other people that worked on the families' properties. The government needed a new place to put the Parliament House. They wanted a place that had fresh water and fresh air. And Canberra had it all.



The best things were the Australian Mint, Australian Institute of Sport, iPlay and Australian War Memorial. At the War Memorial, you will see so many poppies and names of people who died at Gallipoli and other places.

There were two Australian airplanes that fought against the Japanese. At iPlay we had a game of laser tag, dodgem cars and one and a half hours of playing arcade games.

Our favourite things were the Australian Mint where we saw how coins were made and saw titan the robot that could lift 1,000kg and an automatic forklift and the Australian institute of sport (AIS), as we got to practise lots of different sports.

Year 6 had a great time and wished we could go for longer and explore more.

There are lots more photos on the school's website.

Volunteering at Nemingha PS

Leanne Kemp, Relieving Principal

Last week was National Volunteer Week, which is Australia's largest celebration of volunteers. The theme for the week was *Recognise, Reconnect, Reimagine*, which acknowledges it is time to:

RECOGNISE, *celebrate and thank volunteers for the vital role they play in our lives.*

RECONNECT *to what is important by giving our time to help others and ourselves.*

REIMAGINE *how we better support volunteers and the communities they help.*

This made me think about the wonderful volunteers we have at Nemingha Public School who work to support and improve the outcomes for all at NPS.

We have a band of willing parents and grandparents who are members of the P&C and School Council. These people not only raise funds to support programs for our students, such as reading resources and computers, but they assist with excursion travel costs which makes the financial pressures a little less for families and allow students to participate in extracurricular experiences. These volunteers also provide occasions such as the Mother's and Father's Day stalls and the Gingerbread House night to provide events that the children will remember, rather than completing these for a financial gain.

The canteen is another area where every Friday Renae has the assistance of volunteers to help prepare the orders and sell good to the students. Opportunities such as this allow the children to learn about money, budgeting and how to ask for assistance while purchasing items.

Our school participates in the School Banking program. It's a great way to help children to learn about good money

management and the importance of saving in a fun and interactive way. This is another activity that could not run in our school with out a volunteer to manage the program.

Many sporting teams are also supported by parent volunteers. Parents assist the teachers to coach, monitor and support the teams when preparing for gala days, as well as zone and regional carnivals. On any given day you will see a number of parents and friends freely giving their time to provide opportunities for our students on the sporting field.

Another area of support given to the school by volunteers is through our large and caring band of scripture teachers. These men and women come to the school every Friday to support the teaching of religion and also organise special assemblies throughout the year.

Volunteers are the heart and soul of our school. It's the smiles and hard work that enables us to push forward providing the best opportunities for all our children. If you have any special skills or would like to assist our school in anyway please contact your child's class teacher, or the office and offer your time.



On Wednesday the school acknowledged National Sorry Day, a very important day for us as a nation.

For schools it is a a day for recognising the impact that some past practices in education have had on our First Nations families.

Until as recently as 1972, official policies and practices of excluding Aboriginal students meant many were denied the education all other children in NSW were entitled to. We recognise that the impact of these practices has rippled through generations. And while policies have changed, there is still work to do to ensure all our children have equal access to the quality education we enjoy at Nemingha Public School.

Gold Awards

The following students will receive Gold Awards at our next assembly on Friday 4 June.

Congratulations to:

- Isabella Graham
- Adam Cooper
- Toby Rowe
- Elle Wiegold
- Maeve Graham
- Phoebe Coxhead

Sick leave

With the onset of winter and the probability of coughs, colds and various viruses, please ensure that you keep your children at home until symptom free.

If your child has a tummy bug please keep them home for 24 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea.

Please remember that absences of three days or more with a medical condition require a medical certificate.

SOUND OF THE WEEK

I like ice-cream – i, i, i

During Week 7 we will be focusing on the 'i' sound and investigating the different graphemes (letter/s) used to represent the sound. There are many ways the 'i' sound is represented in our reading and writing e.g. 'y' in fly, 'i' in spider, 'ie' in pie and 'igh' in night.

TIPS FOR KIDS

- ★ Our sound for Week 7 is a long, moving sound.
- ★ This is a vowel sound, so nothing gets in the way of 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.

What's cooking in the Canteen



Meal Deal

This term we will be having a meal deal on Tuesday 15 June after the long weekend. The deal is butter chicken and rice with a flavoured milk for \$6. All orders will need to be handed in to the canteen by Monday 7 June. Keep an eye out for the order form going home this week.

Thursday 10 June

Due to the Friday being a staff development day we will be opening our canteen on Thursday 10 June.

Clothing Pool

Ties

This week I have been chasing our long striped tie order. The supplier has had some delays but assure us they are not far away. All back orders will be sent home as soon as they arrive.

QuickCliq Orders

Reminder that all uniform orders placed on QuickCliq will be filled during the clothing pool hour on Monday afternoons. They will be then sent home will your child the following day..

Rena Mumford, Canteen Manager 0417 029 377

3W love science

In Term 1 our unit was all about space. We learnt the names of the planets, and did experiments about shadows, the earth, the moon, and the sun. Did you know that we get shadows because an object blocks the sun's light? We also learnt about the distance between the earth, the moon and the sun using different sized balls and perspective.

Our Term 2 unit is also lots of fun. It is about the three states of matter - solids, liquids and gases. More great experiments to learn from involving things like custard and ice. We placed a Zooper Dooper in the sunlight that was shining on a bench in our classroom and predicted how long it would take to melt. Our predictions ranged from four minutes to 40. It took 35 minutes to melt completely!

We have been enjoying learning about four-digit numbers in mathematics. We learnt about place value, ascending and descending numbers and all the different ways we can represent a number. This week we have been sketching 3D objects, discovering their cross sections, and drawing their nets.



Now we are in Year 3 we did our very first NAPLAN tests. We were glad when they were over. We enjoyed our visit with the Rural Fire Service and to the Life Education Van and we are now rehearsing our poems with 4F for the eisteddfod.

We have been writing persuasive texts and have a special letter organised to give to Mrs Kemp. In art we have painted portraits and rockets, created marbled planets, 3D space sculptures and our own superheroes.

We are all very excited about our excursion to The Great Aussie Bush Camp.

3W and Yvonne Webb



The following notes have been sent home this week:

All students

Scholastic Book Club

Orders due 9 June 2021

Quirindi Horse Sports

Last Friday Grace Newcombe, Ava Gregory, Abbie Milton and Noah Robinson competed at Quirindi Horse Sports.

All riders looked fabulous and had a wonderful time representing our school.

Thank you to the hard-working parents, Mrs Moss for organising our paperwork and Team Manager Scott Gregory for supporting our students in their chosen sport.

Elise Robinson



Girls softball gala day

On Monday 24 May, the girls' softball team went to the Tamworth softball fields to compete in the softball gala day as part of the PSSA knockout competition.

The team comprised Georgia Scanlon (Pitcher), Lillian Bracken (catcher), Allee Thompson (1st base), Grace Newcombe (2nd base), Evie Thornton (3rd base), Summar Barnett (shortstop), and outfielders Emma Geddes, Olivia Earl, Hayley Broomham, Kallee Bird and Laura Blyton.



All the girls quickly learnt how to put all the skills they learnt at training into a game situation. Georgia did a wonderful

job pitching all day. Everyone batted strongly and fielded well, made it to home base once in every game, if not twice or more, and snuck around the bases expertly. Sneaking bases is a big part of how you get runs in softball. All the girls displayed sportsmanship, improved their skills and certainly challenged themselves to do their best.

In Round 1 we played Kootingal Public School and won 16-13. In Round 2 we played Tamworth South Public School 27-5. We kept Tamworth South scoreless until their third innings at bat. In the final of the knockout competition we played Duri Public School. Both teams were very equal in skills and we lost 18-17. At the end of the game we wished Duri all the best for their next game in the competition.

Thanks girls for a wonderful day out. Congratulations to Georgia and Lillian who made it into the zone team.

Yvonne Webb

The whole team would like to thank Mrs Webb for coaching us. It was a great experience for all the team. We had a great day and learned a lot. We think it is a wonderful team sport to play.

by **Georgia, Lillian, Allee and Hayley**

Facebook

Thank you to all the parents who completed the Term 2 feedback survey on school communication.

A number of responses asked for more school information to be placed on the Facebook page.

Nemingha Public School does not have an official Facebook page therefore information can only be uploaded to our school website or the Skoolbag app.

The Facebook group associated with the school is administered by the P&C. To join the group you need to be a member of a student's family and answer select questions set by the P&C.

Biggest Morning Tea



This week staff were a part of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea to raise funds for people impacted by cancer.