



Nemingha Public School

NEWSLINK

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Term 3, Week 9

9 September 2021

Calendar

Subject to change with ongoing COVID restrictions

September

Thursday 9 Sept	Pie Drive collection day
Friday 17 September	Assembly 3W Item 2.40pm in the school hall
Friday 17 September	Mufi Day Term 3 ends

October

Monday 4 October	Labour Day
Tuesday 5 October	Term 4 commences Students return
Wednesday 13 Oct	P&C General Meeting 7pm possibly via Zoom
18-22 October	Book Week 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds' Book fair and parade
Friday 29 October	Assembly K/1R Item 2.40pm in the hall

November

Tuesday 2 November	Kinder Orientation 9.30am-12 noon
13-17 November	New England Dance Festival TRECC
Wednesday 10 Nov	Kinder Orientation 9.30am-12 noon
Wednesday 10 Nov	P&C General Meeting 7pm in the staff room
Friday 19 November	Kinder Orientation Assembly

Enjoy some of our students' work, particularly in acknowledgement of R U OK Day, here and on Page 3.

Relax let it all out
Unique is the best of you
One of a kind, perfect that's you
Kind-hearted amazing be positive you
Crying doesn't mean you're weak it means you've
been strong for too long.
YOU ARE AMAZING!

by Ailie Gibson



5/6B are OK

Well, what a ride we have been on for the last five weeks! 5/6B and their parents have embraced and engaged in home learning with ease.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank every parent, grandparent or other member of our students' community. YOU are doing an awesome job!

We have shared a joke or two, decoded famous Disney movies, played a game of Scattergories, Memory and Guess that Gibberish all on Zoom and even had time to complete some challenging maths problems! I am really proud how you have all taken this on.

Karyn Barrett



Alex enjoying the Ken Done Education Live session



Joel took some time out to make sushi for lunch!

Joel's
spelling
words, word
cloud.



Return-to-School Roadmap

Leanne Kemp, Relieving Principal

Due to breaking information from the NSW Government about the relaxation of stay-at-home orders for the Tamworth LGA, students will be able to return to school from Monday, 13 September.

Looking ahead, on Friday 27 August 2021 the Premier announced the return-to-school roadmap for students in NSW. Students will return to face-to-face learning depending on NSW Health conditions in their area.

Full return ([Level 3](#))

Areas across NSW that are removed from stay-at-home rules will return to school under Level 3 settings. This is a full return for all students to schools, with reduced mingling and on-site activities.

Vaccinations for school staff

To ensure a COVID-safe return to school, all NSW public school and preschool staff on-site to support the staged return of students will be required to be fully vaccinated. Any contractors, volunteers or people on site who require a Working With Children Check will also be required to have two doses of vaccination before returning to our school.

Our staff have been encouraged to make use of the various routes for priority vaccination available to them and to book appointments for whatever vaccine is available as soon as possible. We will continue to work with NSW Health to prioritise vaccinations for all staff across NSW.

All NSW school and preschool staff will be required to be fully vaccinated by 8 November.

The department's [COVID-19 webpage](#) is constantly being updated, and outlines the restrictions in our schools as well as other useful information and resources to keep you up to date and supported.



SASS Recognition Week

This week is School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week.

Our SAS staff play an important role in the school community. They are often the first people you see when you enter a school and are essential to maintaining positive relationships with students, parents and the community.

SAS staff work in school offices, in classrooms and maintaining and caring for school grounds and buildings. They are often the ones to tend to students when they

unwell and they ensure the efficient management of school financial and administration functions.

Thank you, Nicolette, Ninna, Barbara, Bob, Teneile, Katie and Rebecca from everyone at NPS.

SOUND OF THE WEEK

Zebra in a zoo – /z/, /z/, /z/ and Measure the treasure – /s/, /s/

During Week 10 we will be investigating two different sounds. We will be learning about the different ways the /z/ and /s/ sounds are made. The /z/ and /s/ sound boxes show some of the ways these sounds are made. For even more options have a look online for the extended sound box.

TIPS FOR KIDS

Zebra in a zoo

- ★ Keep your teeth together and make a little smile
- ★ /z/ is a noisy, buzzy sound, so use your voice!
- ★ If you are saying /s/, turn your voice on

Measure the treasure

- ★ Keep your teeth together, with your lips pushed out.
- ★ /zh/ is a long, buzzy sound, so use your voice!
- ★ If you are saying /z/, purse your lips and move your tongue back in your mouth.

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 10 is Unit 30.



Today is R U OK Day

And this year the message is - Are they *really* ok?

So, 5/6B have been reading, watching and having conversations with the people around us to work out just how do we ask is someone *really* is OK?

We discovered that it is OK to have a conversation with someone feeling sad or someone who doesn't seem to be quite themselves.

Here are the four conversation steps:



1. Ask - pick a comfortable place and in a quiet voice ask them, R U OK?
2. Listen - listen carefully with an open mind
3. Encourage Action - help them think of a trusted adult they could talk to
4. Check In - check in a few days later

5/6B dug deep and used the information they read, watched and learned from those around them. We used this knowledge to write some inspirational messages, poems and posters describing happiness, support and hope.

We all have bad days,
You're not the only one,
The world can seem dark,
At anytime.

Storms come and roll around,
You're just in the middle of one now,
But they all blow over,
And light is seen again.

All you have to do,
Is sit in the backseat,
And let your friends take control,
They will get you through.

They aren't your friends for nothing,
They were always there for a reason,
They truly understand you alone,
And know the most comfortable way for you.

by **Hannah Coxhead**



So be kind to yourself and others around you. Ask R U OK? And check in with those your love.

So please ask someone today R U OK?

For more information on R U OK Day please visit <https://www.ruok.org.au/>

Today is a special day
Where you ask someone, you care about, if they are ok.

You do that by checking on them, asking what they would like to play

And nice stuff like that to make them happy. Also, by supporting them and asking

Them if they want to go to the beach or something nice like that.

That's what r u ok day is all about

by **Max Ryan**



Xavier built a library out of Lego and tested his paper helicopter



Ailie took some time out to beat her mum in a game and built 3D skeletal models



Sophie created a Word Cloud with her spelling words



Nick completed his own experiment with strawberries



Our Favourite Books

On Wednesday the students and staff enthusiastically answered the question – What is your favourite book?

Students from all classes contributed photos of themselves with their favourite book. It was lovely to see the different books everyone enjoys.

To see more photos of our favourite books, have a look at the video posted on Class Dojo.

