



Calendar

April

Friday 8 April	Mufti Day Easter celebrations - Hat Parade Last day of school
Friday 15 April	Good Friday
Sunday 17 April	Easter Sunday
Monday 25 April	ANZAC Day Service at Kootingal
Tuesday 26 April	School Development Day
Wednesday 27 April	Students return North West Rugby League trials
Friday 29 April	North West Soccer trials
Friday 29 April	Assembly Year 5/6B item 2.30pm in the hall

May

Friday 6 May	School cross country
Wednesday 11 May	P&C Meeting 7.30pm in the staff room
Friday 13 May	Zone Netball and Gala Day
Wednesday 18 May	Come and Try Day for Kindergarten 2023 students
Friday 30 May - Thursday 2 June	Canberra excursion Years 5 and 6

**ANZAC
DAY**

25 April 2022



**Kootingal ANZAC
Service and March**

Monday, 25 April 2022

8am – Assemble at Kootingal Public School in full winter uniform

8.30am – March

Service at the conclusion of the march

Nemingha Public School captains to lay a wreath during service

We hope to see NPS students there.

ANZAC Service

Today we gathered in the hall to commemorate ANZAC Day as the official day falls during the holidays on Monday 25 April.

ANZAC Day is a day when we remember, honour and express our gratitude to those who fought to protect our beautiful land.

On 25 April, 1915, the second year of the First World War, Australian soldiers landed to do battle at Gallipoli, in Turkey. The soldiers who landed at Gallipoli were members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps- known since as the ANZACs.

The school service was led by our captains and the students listened to a poem by Chris Hogan titled "The Ghost". Kristine Sharkey then shared her family history and links to the ANZACs. She displayed her Great-Great-Great Grandfather's duffle bag from that time.

Each class was asked to lay a floral tribute at the flagpoles to remember the ANZACs.

Students are able to attend the march at Kootingal on ANZAC Day. We will assemble outside Kootingal Public School at 8am and students are required to wear their winter uniforms, including ties.

We'll have more photos of our students commemorating ANZAC Day in a gallery on the school web site.





Efficient system and positive culture

Skye Davis, Principal

In most schools, the main office serves as a hub around which all other activities revolve.

It is often said with a smile that the office staff really “run the show.” And there is some truth to that; as the school’s chief public relations representatives, members of the office staff frequently know more about what’s going on in the building than anyone else. We are lucky at Nemingha PS to have three of the best.

As the school’s public face, each day the front office staff greet dozens of parents, community members, and other visitors; communicates with most of the staff; and answers countless phone calls. Mrs Toni Thompson,

Mrs Ninna Douglas and Mrs Vicki Wilson take it all in their stride as they see to this important business every day.

Having a school office that has an efficient system and positive culture has a tremendous impact on how a school operates.

Nemingha PS office staff are committed to enhancing communication with our families and community. We are

If a school were a body, the teachers and support staff would be the hands, the leadership team would be the feet moving it forward and the office staff would be the head making it all work.

increasing our use of Sentral, (an administration system purchased by Nemingha PS) learning to utilise this program to its full potential, including student attendance, texts, emails, reports, individual student plans, student wellbeing and we will soon move towards online interview bookings through this system.

The office staff coordinate the correspondence that goes home via notes and newsletters, and they will now also contribute to the running of our electronic school sign.

If you have visited our office lately, you may have noticed that we are redecorating this space. We have new chairs and have ordered new blinds and tables to make the space more welcoming for students and visitors to our school.

Our office staff look forward to greeting and assisting you next time you phone, message or visit the school. Thank you to our team, we appreciate you.

Year 6 car wash fundraising

Last Sunday, there was a queue in the Bunnings car park and it wasn’t just for the BBQ sausages.

Our school’s first Year 6 Bunnings car wash fundraiser was a popular event, with a constant stream of dirty vehicles driving through to receive a wash. The students (and their parents and siblings) gave up a couple of hours of their weekend to raise money for the traditional Year 6 gift to the school.

The odd spray from a misdirected hose or the wet clothing at the end of the shift, didn’t dampen volunteers’ spirits and their smiles and laughter made for such an enjoyable day.



A HUGE thank you to all involved. Thanks also to the Bunnings staff and members of our school community for supporting the initiative.

The event raised \$740 for our school.

Lauren Bowman, Amy Davidson
and **Vanessa Miller**



Gold Awards

Congratulations to the following students will be presented with their Gold Awards at our next assembly.

- Laura Blyton
- Chloe Kenyon

P&C Meal Deal day

Thank you to families for supporting the P&C canteen and the meal deal as voted by students.

We had 131 orders, with Year 3 the largest order.



Wow, what a start to the school year in KR

We have already learnt so much in a short time and we have enjoyed getting to know one another, making new friends and learning new routines.

In literacy we have been focusing on early reading skills and have started reading group rotations. We are learning our sight words and are beginning to use words to write our own sentences.



In maths we have been working on our numbers, learning to count forwards and backwards and being able to say the numbers before and after.

We have been learning about friendships and being kind in PD/H. We talked about who we can ask for help and our school rules.

History has shown us lots about our families and how we are different and the same. We enjoyed looking at old games Mrs Stimson used to play and our families shared some 'old' things with us like mobile phones!



Fridays are busy days in Kindergarten with lots on the timetable. Sport has been a great time to learn to get along and be challenged to learn new games.

Kinder has had a wonderful start to the term but we are ready for a break, so we can start Term 2 full of energy and good health.

Elise Robinson



The following note has been sent home this week:

Selected students

North West Rugby League



P&C need your help

The P&C are again looking at fundraising opportunities for 2022 to help raise funds for our School. Did you know P&C cover the cost of bus travel to and from excursions and help the school purchase vital equipment and supplies to help our students.

We are looking to establish a fundraising working group who will meet once a month to plan out our fundraising activities. The first meeting for this group will be Wednesday 4th of May at Calala Tavern. Everyone is welcome. Please come along if you have an idea for a fundraiser or if you would like to get involved in any of our fundraising activities. You can be involved as little or as much as you like. Please contact Kate Dubois for any further information on 0419815567.

One of our first fundraising opportunities for the year is running a BBQ at a local Clearing Sale on Saturday the 30th of April. If you can help out doing a shift on the BBQ (2 hour shifts starting from 8:00am) or making a cake, slice or biscuits to sell for morning tea please reach out to Kate Dubois on 0419815567 or email neminghapandc@outlook.com.

Kate Dubois



High Performing Students Team

Applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2023

Once you complete and submit your application you can change details, send and receive messages through your application dashboard.

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2023?

You must apply online at:
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>



Key dates

Application website opens:
Tuesday 26 April 2022

Application website closes:
5pm, Friday 13 May 2022
You must apply before this deadline

Test centre advice sent:
Thursday 14 July 2022

Opportunity Class Placement Test:
Thursday 28 July 2022

Placement outcome information released overnight on:
Friday 7 October 2022

Please read this document carefully before applying.

Parents* monitor the Department's website regularly for updates throughout the application and placement process at:
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Please check the Department's website for information before you contact the Team.

The opportunity class placement process for Year 5 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team.

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Please Note:
In this document, the High Performing Students Team is referred to as the Team.

*Parent is defined under the Education Act, 1990, as a 'guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'.

SPORT NEWS

State swimming

Congratulations to Jiah Kelly, who swam a personal best in the senior boys 50m butterfly at the PSSA state trials at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre on Tuesday. We are all very proud of you Jiah, a marvellous achievement!



Rugby league trials

Well done to the following students who were successful on being selected to North West Rugby League:

11 years: Ryan Tongue, Parker Beaton, Brodie Bliss, Mathew Murphy.

Opens: Jiah Kelly, Beau Weigold.

Preston Campbell Cup

Students from Year 5 and 6 participated in league tackle and league tag games against other schools from around the region. They played 4-5 games throughout the day in a seven-a-side team.



It was a fantastic day and all students got involved and helped out each other.

Special thank you to Mr Murphy for taking the time to train the students Monday afternoon, and to Mr Thompson for helping on the day to keep the teams focused and coaching, Mr Earl for the supply of the gazebo to keep the students under shade for the day and to all the parents who helped with driving and supporting the students throughout the day. What a wonderful community we have where we have such fantastic support. It was appreciated.

Touch Football Gala Day

The Nemingha Touch football Gala day was an absolute blast. The two teams demonstrated sportsmanship and gave it their all on the field. The new jerseys made the girls and boys stand out. We cannot wait for next year!



School cross country

This year our school's cross country will be held on Friday 6 May. All students will participate and parents are most

welcome to attend. In preparation for the event, your child may wish to do some training over the school holidays, especially if your child is eight years or older and would like to qualify for Zone Cross Country. Further details about the event will be provided next term.

Tamworth Little Athletics

The Australian Track and Field Championships was held over the weekend at Sydney Olympic Park.

Olivia Earl, a member of Tamworth's Little Athletics Club, qualified for the national event and achieved outstanding results. She received gold in the under 15 years para discus, silver in the under 15 years para shot put and bronze in the under 17 years para javelin. In addition, she unbelievably achieved personal bests in all three disciplines.



She also had the opportunity to meet many Olympic athletes, such as Matt Denny, who competed in the Tokyo Olympics. Congratulations to Olivia on this incredible achievement!

Wise words ...

a fortnightly focus on
literacy and numeracy
with Lynne Weis

Puzzling and problem solving

Drawing, talking, and using a range of different resources are some of the ways children are strengthening their skills to think mathematically.

Talking to your child about the strategies they use to solve maths problems will also help them develop their communication of mathematical thinking.

Here is a fun number problem to try at home:

Magic Vs (from nRich.maths.org)

Place each of the numbers 1 to 5 in the V shape below so that the two arms of the V have the same total.

How many different possibilities are there?

What do you notice about all the solutions you find?

Can you explain what you see?

Can you convince someone that you have all the solutions?

What happens if we use the numbers from 2 to 6? From 12 to 16? From 37 to 41? From 103 to 107?

What can you discover about a V that has arms with a length of four, using the numbers 1 to 7?

The 'nerdle' is a fun, daily, maths puzzle activity that is available free online. Older students might enjoy the challenge and discussion.

Happy holidays!

