

# NOWRA HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN

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CANTEEN Wednesday
ASSEMBLY Fridays - 9.00am

**UNIFORM SHOP** Fridays - 2.30pm - 3.15pm

# DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday	9th Dec	Presentation Night
Thursday	10th Dec	Whole School Excursion
Tuesday	15th Dec	NHPS Swimming Carnival
Tuesday	15th Dec	Thank You Afternoon Tea
Wednesday	16th Dec	Last Day of School for Students
Thurs/Fri	17th/18th Dec	School Development Days
Wednesday	27th Jan 2016	School Development Day
Thursday	28th Jan 2016	Students return to school Yrs 1-6

# Dear Parents/Caregivers,

#### NHPS PRESENTATION NIGHT

All the children have been busy practising and perfecting their class items for the evening's entertainment. We would like everyone seated and ready by 6.30pm. For those parents who are not staying for the presentation ceremony and are dropping off their child/ren could you please walk them up to the school as we are expecting a very busy carpark between 6.15pm-6.30pm. We respectfully ask that parents be back at school to pick up children by 8.30pm when we expect to be finished.

#### **REPORTS**

Semester 2 end of year reports will be coming home with children this Friday. There will be no parent interviews scheduled with Semester 2 reports.

## P & C RAFFLE TICKETS

Please have all monies and tickets to the Office by Wednesday morning (tomorrow) so your tickets can be part of Wednesday night's raffle draw at the Presentation.

#### **DIET CONCERNS**

The teachers have noticed some of the food children are bringing to school is not nutritionally sound. I have talked to the students about the importance of starting the school day with a nutritious breakfast to put them in good stead for the mornings learning.

Of late, many children have been receiving candy canes with a Christmas card which is always a lovely gesture, but we have asked children to put them in their bag and take them home. We do not want candy canes replacing a healthy piece of fruit or a lovely wholesome sandwich.

Sadly, in the last few weeks we have regularly found whole sandwiches left untouched in the eating area which means there are children going hungry and not having the energy to concentrate in class. We give children enough time to eat before they are allowed to play and we ask that if children don't want to eat their lunch, for whatever reason, that they take it home and have it for afternoon tea or tell their parents and discuss an alternative.

Your support in this matter would be greatly appreciated. The following are some websites with interesting, healthy and easy to make school lunch ideas perhaps for next year.

www.freshforkids.com.au/lunch\_box/lunch\_box.html /www.taste.com.au/recipes/collections/kids+healthy+lunch+box+ideas

#### **NEW CLASS FOR 2016**

This week Nowra Hill Public School has grown to over 130 students for the 2016 school year. This entitles the school to an extra teacher. Mrs White will fill this extra teaching position with the proviso that we maintain an enrolment of over 130 children at the beginning of next year. Congratulations Mrs White.

#### NHPS PRESENTATION NIGHT SUPPER

Our new principal, Mr Gordon Parrish, will be attending Wednesday night's presentation ceremony. We are having a light supper after the presentation ceremony to welcome Mr Parrish. The supper will also give parents the opportunity to say farewell to Ms Barry who will unfortunately be finishing her position as Kindergarten teacher at the end of this year.

We ask that parents bring a plate to share on the night. Food can be left at the weathershed and will be served there at the end of the ceremony. You are most cordially invited to meet Mr Parrish and say farewell to Ms Barry.

#### **COMBINED SCRIPTURE SERVICE @ ALBATROSS CHAPEL**

Last Thursday all K-6 children walked down to the Chapel at Albatross Base for the annual combined scripture service. The children were very respectful throughout the service and participated appropriately. Many thanks to Chaplain Barry Porter and all the other scripture teachers who put the service together in the spirit of co-operation. It was enjoyed by one and all and beautifully relayed the message of Christmas.

#### **SCHOOL BAND**

Students who are in the school band would have brought in their instruments for final practise today ahead of tomorrow's Presentation night. The children will be leaving their instruments at school in preparation for Presentation night and then they will be signing them out with Mr Sadler on Thursday morning.

#### **CANTEEN**

This Wednesday will be the last week for Canteen for the year. We would like to thank everyone who has worked in the canteen this year, it is greatly appreciated. If you are interested in running the canteen next year, would you please contact the school on 4421 5671 and advise same.

## **SEASONS FOR GROWTH EVALUATIONS**

Can parents of children who attended the Seasons for Growth class please return their evaluation of the program to the Office. Mrs Millard would greatly appreciate them returned as soon as possible as they will be used to assist Mrs Millard to maintain her qualification as a Seasons for Growth deliverer. Many thanks for your understanding.

#### PARENT HELPERS/VOLUNTEERS AFTERNOON TEA

The school will be hosting an afternoon tea for our parent volunteers/helpers. We will hold this on the afternoon of Tuesday,15th December (Week 11) from 5.30pm-6.30pm in the School Library. Invitations have been sent so please RSVP as soon as possible for catering purposes. If you have been a parent helper or volunteer throughout 2015 and have not received your invitation please let the Office know especially if you would like to join us at the afternoon tea. Looking forward to seeing all our helpers and volunteers.

## **PBL POINTSCORE**

Congratulations to both Buru and Wirri who managed to get a combined total of over 12 000 Dingaroos. This qualifies the whole school for an acknowledgement excursion to Booderee National Park this Thursday. Well done to all the students on such an exceptional achievement.

# PBL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT EXCURSION

All children will be attending an excursion to Booderee National Park on Thursday, 10th December. Permission notes with information went home yesterday and must be in no later than Wednesday. The cost is nil as the Redbacks will be subsidising the whole excursion. The children will be visiting the Botanic Gardens and then having lunch and a play on the sand at Green Patch. There will be no swimming on this excursion. In case of inclement weather please tune into radio 2ST (AM 999) from 7.00am for any cancellation announcements.

#### **NHPS SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2016**

Our school swimming carnival for 2016 is on Tuesday, 15th December (Week 11). As it is our carnival for next year all children who are 7 years of age this year, (turning 8 next year), will be joining all other children turning 9-12 years of age. A permission note will be coming home with today's newsletter. The children will be travelling by bus.

Parents who are available on the day and can assist with timekeeping and marshalling can fill in the slip on the back of the newsletter. The cost is \$6.00 which covers transport by bus and pool entry. Please have notes in by next Monday at the latest.

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Happy Birthday to Dylan Stockley, Charley Shipton and Maddison Caruana who celebrate their birthday this week

# **MERIT AWARDS**

Kinder - Hayden Henry, Skye DeBrett

Class 1/2 - Taylah Gill, Reagan Boyne, Kayla Stain Class 2/3 - Devante Renomeron, Luca Winchester,

**Denzel Atkinson** 

Class 3/4 - Ty Fahey, Jack Lunn

Class 5/6 - Isabel Goodwin, Kaitlin Boyne,

Tarni Wiedeman, Allyx Cornelius

# PRINCIPALS AWARD

Kinder - Lily Sproule

Class 1/2 - Faith Myers-McGuire

Class 2/3 - Georgia Green
Class 3/4 - Jono Tiyce

Class 5/6 - Cooper Atkinson

#### MRS HOLMES WITH YEAR 3/4

Mrs Holmes will be with Year 3/4 for these last few weeks to experience a different teaching/learning stage and its related expectations. Mrs Holmes will be returning at the beginning of 2016 for two weeks to complete her practicum.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

Last week, Mr Vucic attended an Emergency Management Conference hosted by Albatross Naval Base. Representatives from Kids Krew and Tingara Preschool were also in attendance. It gave all the educational institutions in this precinct a clearer understanding of the Bases emergency procedures and how they may impact on our schools especially when many of the parents work at the Base.

The schools are now in better communication with Albatross and we have been included in notifications regarding alarm testing and potential lockdowns. We are in further communication with Albatross about adjustments we can make to our school Emergency Management Plan which will give all stakeholders a better understanding of procedures in case of an emergency.

#### **P&C MEETING**

This afternoon is the last meeting for the P& C in 2015. They will be finishing the year with an supper starting from 7.00pm at the School Library. All welcome.

NOWRA HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL ASSISTANCE			
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swimming carniva	n Tuesday, 15th December 2015. I can be contacted on the following n	0:	
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