

THE BULLETIN

Nowra Hill Public School

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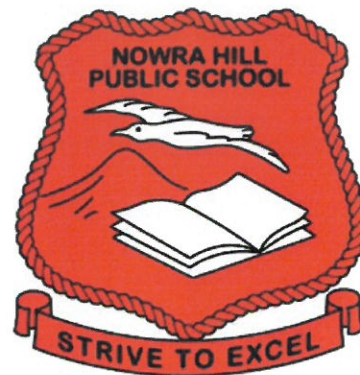
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Term 4, Week 6 – 15th November 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

Kinder and Year 1 had a great day at the Shoalhaven Zoo last Wednesday despite the poor weather. We got to hold, pat and feed a number of Australian animals and the animals from other countries were exciting too.



The rest of the school also had a great day when they went down to the Fleet Air Arm Museum to watch the Band from Belrose Public School.

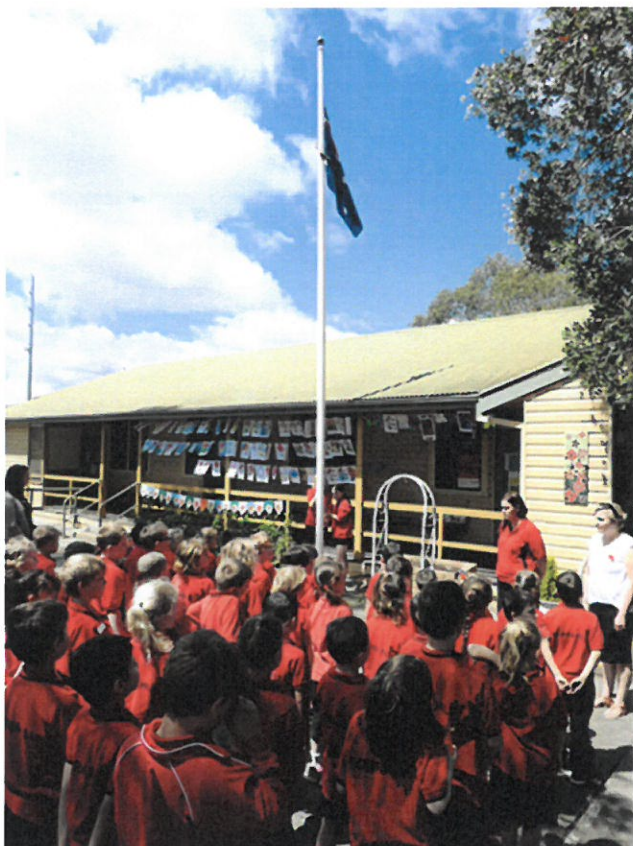
DATES TO REMEMBER

<i>Thursday</i>	<i>17th Nov</i> <i>24th Nov</i> <i>1st Dec</i>	<i>Kindergarten</i> <i>Transition Days</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>23rd Nov</i>	<i>Yr 6 – KidsIn2Uni</i> <i>Visit</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>8th Dec</i>	<i>Presentation Night</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>8th Dec</i>	<i>Combined Scripture</i> <i>Service Albatross Chapel</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>16th Dec</i>	<i>Last Day of Term 4</i> <i>for students</i>
<i>Mon/Tues</i>	<i>19/20th Dec</i>	<i>Staff Development</i> <i>Day</i>

A further reminder to students and parents that one of our broad rimmed or bucket hats are part of our school uniform. Students must have this hat on their heads when playing, caps are not acceptable.

School hats are available for purchase at the front office at any time for \$7.00. Continual failure to wear full school uniform will be noted and a letter sent home to inform parents.

Last Friday, our students did us proud during our Remembrance Day ceremony. A very solemn assembly was led by Allyx Cornelius and Darci Edwards.



One final reminder, electronic devices of any sort are not welcome at school unless they are part of the BYOD trial in 5/6PB. Students and parents in this class have signed agreements about the appropriate use of technology in school and the devices are only accessed for educational purposes.

This Thursday sees the second of our Kinder Transition mornings. Over the coming 3 Thursdays, students and parents starting at NHPS in 2017 are continuing to come along to playgroup and information sessions.

This week new Kindies will be able to stay for part of recess and Mums and Dads will join us for another information session and morning tea.

Our new *In the Zone* welfare and behaviour system is proving to be a very positive addition to our student wellbeing framework. Please read the Wellbeing Matters attachment for details about our new *In the Zone* awards.

Regards
Mr Gordon Parrish, Principal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday and best wishes to Hunter Woods, Taj Westall, Brooke Pearson and Luca Winchester who celebrate their birthday this week.

MERIT AWARDS

- Kinder - Miley Winchester,
Rhys Andrews,
Cooper Shaw**
- K/1 - Jaxon Bruzesse,
Mason Ison, Xavier
Bendall**
- 1/2 - Kyah Schell, Eva
O'Sullivan**
- 2/3 - Denzel Atkinson,
Emmy Goley, Kayla
Stain**
- 4/5 - Camani Collis,
Malakai**
- 5/6 - Mitchell Clark, Immy
Radburn, Darci
Edwards**

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

- Kinder - Jada Butler**
- K/1 - Dayne Cassidy-Green**
- 1/2 - Heidi Lovell**
- 2/3 - Lauren Whitfield**
- 4/5 - Kristina Esposito**
- 5/6 - Kaitlin Boyne**

Wellbeing Matters

In the Zone!

It's Great to be Green

Last week, we had our first official *It's Great to be Green* rewards day. Over 90% of students were able to participate in the movie and popcorn afternoon because they had achieved 5 green weeks and their green card was full.

Students achieve a green week if they stay in the green zone all week. We understand that some students need reminding, so they are given the leeway of reaching the red zone twice in a week. When they reach the red zone for a third time in one week, they do NOT receive their green week. The student welfare week runs from Friday morning to Thursday afternoon.

When their green card is full (with 5 green weeks) they are invited to join in the next scheduled *It's Great to be Green Day*. If their green card is not full at the time of the rewards day, they can continue working towards their full card and participate in the next rewards day. So they don't have to start again, they keep moving forward and working towards a celebration of their behaviour choices in the future.

In recognition of those students who continue to achieve their full green card, we will also be awarding levelled *In the Zone* Awards.

- When students achieve 2 full green cards (10 green weeks) they will receive a **Bronze Award**.
- When they achieve another 2 full green cards (20 green weeks) they will receive a **Silver Award**.
- When students achieve another 2 green cards (30 green weeks) they will receive a **Gold Award**.
- When students achieve another 2 green cards, which is a total of 40 green weeks (the maximum number of school weeks in one year), they will receive a **Platinum Award** at the very end of Term 4!

However, as this is a new system, the highest award possible for 2016, will be a Bronze Award. We will then start fresh next year from Day 1.



We believe this system celebrates those students who always make positive learning and behaviour choices, and we have no doubt that we will be very busy awarding many Platinum Awards at the end of 2017!

Wellbeing Matters

In the playground

This week we have extended *In the Zone* to include playground behaviour. If students need reminding about their behaviour in the playground, in assembly lines or at bus lines, they will be issued with a verbal orange warning. If they continue to show disregard of our 4 values of Learning, Respect, Responsibility and Safety, they will be placed in the red zone, which will count towards one of their reds for the week and will jeopardise their green card for that week.

Red Zone Referrals

If students continue to break our school values after receiving a red zone in the classroom or playground, or if the red behaviour is of a serious nature, students are referred to the Assistant Principal via our new Departmental EBS4 student management system.



When a referral is made, the Assistant Principal decides on the appropriate course of action. This may include:

- Reflection Time during class time.
- Reflection Time during recess or lunch.
- Student to parent Think Sheet.
- A red Behaviour Contract which communicates behaviour between teacher/parents/Assistant Principal.

- Restorative Justice conferences.
- Participation in a social skills program with the Assistant Principal or Learning and Support Teacher.
- 3 way conferences with the Executive, parents and student.
- Referring on to the Principal for a Letter of Caution, a letter of Suspension Warning, or a formal suspension.

Formal Recognition and Celebrations of Learning

We now have many ways that we recognise the achievement of our students at Nowra Hill Public School. Some of the formal systems include:

- Weekly Merit Awards from class teachers.
- Weekly Principal's Awards, nominated by class teachers, and linked to our school values.
- Green Cards – recognition at assembly.
- *It's Great to be Green Day*.
- Levelled *In the Zone* Awards.
- Dinagarooos – house point competition.
- Presentation Night Awards.

Learning

Respect

Responsibility

Safety