

The Bulletin

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Dear Parents/Carers,

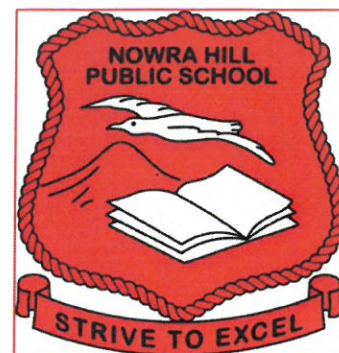
A big congratulations to all our students who have been **representing our school at various sporting events**. We are always very proud of the efforts of our students and wish them all the best in their endeavours.

This Friday, we have the visiting **Scienza Viva show**, "Let's Find Out," for all students K-6. This show, and the follow up workshops, is a wonderful and engaging way to start developing scientific inquiry skills in all our students across the whole school.

As a staff this year, we will be reviewing the new Science syllabus and developing a comprehensive scope and sequence for scientific inquiry. This will ensure students are participating in hands on, relevant and engaging lessons. The Scienza Viva workshops are a great way to springboard this more relevant style of learning and will provide new experiences for the students and insights for all staff.

We ask that you support this quality, engaging learning experience by contributing **\$3.00 per students** towards the cost of this week's show.

The Scienza Viva note has been on the NHPS App for the past week and we ask for payment to be made by the end of school tomorrow, **Thursday 2nd March**. For those who require a paper note, we will send that home today.



Weekly Events

Tuesdays

School Banking

Wednesdays

Canteen

Thursdays

Scripture

Fridays

Sports Uniform

9am – Assembly

2:15pm – Uniform Shop

Upcoming Events

March 3

Scienza Viva Show

Clean Up Australia Day

March 7

STEPS Screening - Kinder

March 10

NRL Gala Day

March 13

P & C Meeting and AGM

March 22

Yr 3/4 Gala Day

I am also asking that parents support our move towards **electronic notes and payments** by checking the **NHPS App** regularly. We will continue to send home a paper copy of the newsletter each week, unless otherwise requested, but we have made the extra notes an opt-in process, meaning you will not receive paper notes unless you complete the request in this newsletter.

The benefits of electronic notes and payments are extensive, including saving paper, lowering printing costs, streamlining payments, developing more efficient systems in the school office and **avoiding the very common occurrence of parents not receiving their paper notes!** We appreciate your support in this move.

Attached to the newsletter this week is information regarding the **school contributions** for this year. This payment includes a general contribution to cover basic resources such as exercise books and photocopying, and some specific amounts to cover the costs of textbooks in the various classrooms. As we are moving away from Maths and English textbooks, we are using the extremely relevant and valuable online resources, Reading Eggs and Mathletics. The school is **subsiding** the cost of these subscriptions because they are such quality resources, but we are asking for a contribution towards the subscriptions for each child. We appreciate your support with payment as soon as possible. If you need to make this payment in installments, please let the front office know.

Thank you to those parents who have been taking extra care in the **carpark area**. We ask for your continued support in this area by:

- Not parking over the footpath leading down to the bus stop
- Using the parking directly in front of the school fence as a "Kiss and Drop" zone only
- Parking on the grassed area only if parking and leaving car
- Using the grass triangle as a pseudo-roundabout
- No foot traffic through the bottom staff carpark gate

This Friday, we will be holding our first **"It's Great to be Green"** rewards day for those students who have achieved a full green card. These are always exciting afternoons that the children thoroughly enjoy! Congratulations to the majority of students who will be attending the rewards session. In Week 11, those students who have received two full green cards, will be rewarded with a Bronze Award at assembly. Keep up the great work Nowra Hill!

Kind Regards,

Mr Gordon Parrish

Principal



CANTEEN HELP NEEDED

If your children enjoy the wonderful canteen service on Wednesdays, please consider helping out, even if it's just once a term. The canteen cannot continue to operate without volunteers.

More Important News

FISST (SMALL SCHOOLS) SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Well done to all our swimmers who participated in the Small Schools Swimming Carnival in Week 4. The results are in and Nowra Hill achieved a 2nd place in the percentage score. Nowra Hill Public School has 3 of the 6 division champions and they are:

Junior Boys champion - Denzel Atkinson;
11 Years Boy Champion - Matthew Higham
11 Years Girl Champion - Lois Fleming.

These children will be presented with their medallions in the coming weeks at assembly.

PSSA DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Last Friday, 19 of our students represented our school and the Small Schools at the PSSA District Swimming Carnival at Nowra Pool. The results are as follows:

Ella Butler - 3rd 50m Butterfly

Lois Fleming - 3rd 50m Breaststroke

Imogen Radburn - 3rd Senior Girls Individual Medley

Denzel Atkinson - 2nd 50m Butterfly, 2nd Junior Individual Medley, 3rd 50m Freestyle

Matthew Higham - 2nd Open 100m, 2nd 50m Breaststroke, 1st 50m Backstroke, 1st 50m Freestyle, 2nd Individual Medley, 1st 50m butterfly.

Again, Matthew swam exceptionally well and has been awarded the Junior Boy Champion of the 2017 District Carnival. All certificates will be handed out at this week's assembly.

DISTRICT TRIALS

Last Wednesday, Jade O'Connell, Charlie Manwaring and Oscar Goley represented Nowra Hill Public School at the District Tennis trials at Narang Rd Courts. All three students played hard and Oscar Goley was able to win enough games to secure himself a place in the District team to represent at the next level. Well done to all of our competitors.

Good luck this week to Lois Fleming and Charlize Watson who are trialling for the District Girls netball team on Friday. All the best girls.

Merit Awards

KR – Noah Moreau, Noah Pedersen, Makensie Burney, Riley Hopper

K/1R – Cohen Brown, Lacey Cassidy-Green, Ella Eagles

1/2R – Jonah Davidson, Hudson Machin, Connor Cleall

2/3B – Matilda Lunn, Jaxon Bruzzese, Faith Myers-McGuire

3/4V – Ryan Hupp, Mick Nolan

4/5B – Ryan Boyne, Ella Butler

6WP – Adam Viney, Jake Jarrett, Nicholas Iloski

Library – Kristina Esposito

Principal's Awards

KR – Jett O'Connell

K/1R – William Tiyce

1/2R – Marley Jade Brant

2/3B – Riley Gough

3/4V – Aimee Lamb

4/5B – Ethan Vicary

6WP – Holly Barrett

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA (SCHOOLS)

This coming weekend is Clean Up Australia Day and traditionally schools also do a clean up of their school environs on the week before. This Friday, after our school assembly, the whole school will be cleaning up the school grounds and some of the surrounding areas. Each class will be assigned an area to clean up and will be supplied with gloves and bags to collect rubbish.

SOCCER STARTS NEXT TUESDAY

For the remainder of the term, each class will participate in a soccer skills session with a development officer from Shoalhaven district soccer every Tuesday. These are always very valuable sessions that the children enjoy. Please ensure your child is wearing appropriate footwear on Tuesdays (normal uniform is fine).

NOWRA HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 7 2018 INFORMATION NIGHT

On Tuesday, 7th March Nowra High School will be holding an Information Night in the school hall from 5.30pm – 7.00pm for students interested in attending Year 7 in 2018.

BOMADERRY SOCCER CLUB

Bomaderry Soccer Club are after girls and boys for under 8s, 9s, 11s, 13s and 15s. Contact Karen 0418 440 021.

BOMADERRY RUGBY LEAGUE

Bomaderry Junior Rugby League are still looking for more players in the following teams, Under 9's, 10's 13's 14's & 15's and Girls league tag under 12's, 14's & 16's for more information contact Steve on 0403591014.

NOWRA HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL – NOTES AND FORMS

- I would still like to receive a hard copy of relevant notes and forms,

Parent Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Birthdays

Happy Birthday and best wishes to the following students who celebrate their birthday this week.

Sonny Walker

Addison Radburn

Ella Butler

Khallen



What makes a positive school community?

"Mum, Miss Collins told me to be sure you go to the school for the meeting tonight. She says it's very important." "You're not in trouble, are you Omar? Teachers only ask parents to come to school when there is a problem, don't they?" "No Mum. She says she is looking forward to meeting you."

When Rasheeda got to the meeting it wasn't as she had expected. Lots of other parents were there and they were talking with each other and with the teacher. It seemed quite friendly. The teacher explained what the children would be learning in school this term and then asked the parents to talk to two different people they didn't know.

Rasheeda felt a bit shy about this. Luckily, the other parents at her table started talking to her. They asked her what school was like in her home country. "Oh, very different!" she told them. "Over there the teacher talks and the children listen. They don't learn in groups. They start early and they go home at lunchtime." The other parents seemed interested.

Miss Collins also spoke with her: "Rasheeda, I wonder if there's anything more you would like to know about how Omar is going or what we are doing at school? We want to be sure you feel welcome, so if there is anything the school can do to help you or Omar settle in, please let us know."



Positive school communities
create opportunities for
families, children and staff
to feel included.

What feeling included is all about

Children come from an endless range of different families, backgrounds, cultures and religions. They also have a variety of interests, learning styles and abilities. Despite all of these differences, everyone should feel included and welcome within their school community.

Positive school communities create opportunities for children, families and staff to feel included. They make help and support accessible and find lots of ways to invite people to take up the support being offered. They help everyone benefit from understanding experiences and cultures that may be different to their own.

When children feel included, when they are part of a community that promotes inclusion and respect for everybody, they show more caring and compassion towards others, and they feel safer and more secure. They are also better learners and have better mental health and wellbeing. In a positive school community *every face has a place*, every voice is valued, and everyone has something to contribute.

School communities from around Australia chose care, compassion, respect, understanding and inclusion as important values for children to understand. These are things that children can learn about. The best learning happens when children see the adults around them putting values like these into practice. Feeling included is important for mental health, and is supported best when diversity is respected and valued.

Being included and learning to include and respect others are very important for children's social development.

Being included promotes belonging and connectedness, which are also key factors for supporting children's mental health and wellbeing.



Some ways of showing people they are welcomed and included at school

- Display information, posters, and artwork that reflect the diversity in the school community.
- Provide information in appropriate languages, verbally, where possible, as well as in written form.
- Cater to specific needs where possible (eg dietary needs, access needs).
- Publicly celebrate diversity (eg diverse families, cultures, languages and values).

How parents and carers can help

- Get to know other families, take an interest in others' different backgrounds as well as what you have in common.
- Set up a 'buddy' system where families who have been at the school for a while buddy up with new families to provide welcome and support.
- Encourage children to include and appreciate others' cultural and individual differences.

This resource is part of a range of KidsMatter Primary information sheets for families and school staff. View them all online at www.kidsmatter.edu.au



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WORKBOOK FEES—2017

KINDERGARTEN— Miss Reminis

General Contributions	\$25.00	
Home Reading Pack	\$ 6.50	
Mathletics	\$15.00	
Reading Eggs	\$15.00	Total - \$61.50

Kindergarten/Year 1 Miss Rigney

General Contributions	\$25.00	
Home Reading Pack	\$ 6.50	
Mathletics	\$15.00	
Reading Eggs	\$15.00	Total - \$61.50

YEAR 1/ 2 – Mrs Rowe

General Contributions	\$25.00	
Time for Better Handwriting	\$12.00	
Useful Word Book	\$ 4.50	
Home Reading Pack	\$ 6.50	
Mathletics	\$15.00	
Reading Eggs	\$15.00	Total - \$78.00

YEAR 2/3 Mrs Bellamy

General Contributions	\$25.00	
Home Reading Pack	\$ 6.50	
My Useful Word Book	\$ 4.50 (Most students)	
New Wave Handwriting	\$ 8.00	
Mathletics	\$15.00	
Reading Eggs	\$15.00	Total - \$74.00

YEAR 3/4– Mr Vucic

General Contributions	\$25.00	
Home Reading Diary	\$ 4.00	
Mathletics	\$15.00	
Reading Eggs	\$15.00	Total - \$59.00

YEAR 4/5 – Mr Bagnall

General Contributions	\$25.00	
Home Reading Diary	\$ 4.00	
Mathletics	\$15.00	
Reading Eggs	\$15.00	Total - \$59.00

YEAR 6 Mrs White

General Contributions	\$25.00	
Home Reading Diary	\$ 4.00	
Student Diary	\$ 6.00	
Mathletics	\$15.00	
Reading Eggs	\$15.00	Total - \$65.00

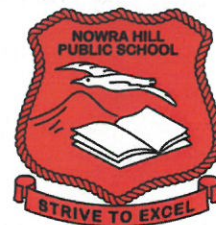
As these books and subscriptions are now being used in all classrooms we would appreciate payment as soon as possible. Voluntary General Contributions are used to purchase school resources, eg: exercise books, photocopying and stationary. Payments can be made at the school office or through POP. If there is a problem with payment please contact the school office.

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SCIENZA VIVA

On Friday, 3rd March, all students from K-6 will participate in a science performance by Scienza Viva called "Let's Find Out". Scienza Viva will also return to our school in Terms 2, 3 and 4, to conduct science workshops with individual classes. These workshops will use a hands on, inquiry approach to the teaching and learning of science and will be tailored to address the relevant curriculum areas in each class. We are looking forward to this very relevant and engaging scientific experience for our students.

Cost per student is \$3.00.

Please complete the permission slip below and make your payment by tomorrow Thursday, 2nd March.

Thanks

Scienza Viva

Permission Note

I give permission for my child/children _____ to attend the Scienza Viva performance. I have enclosed \$3.00 / paid \$3.00 on POP for this performance.

Parent/Guardians Signature

Date